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● "Sebastia — Hill of Tragic Memories". . . Here John the Baptist suffered martyrdom at the hands of Herod because an abnormal mother wielded a dominating influence over a daughter, who in turn was able to influence the monarch. (Matthew 14:3-11) The above excavated columns of the thoroughfare in ancient Sebastia, where the Capital of Herod the Great was located, still stand firmly upright as when placed by the architects two thousand years ago. Sebastia is one of the most historic places in all Palestine. In ancient times, Jezebel brought four hundred and fifty priests of Baal to this place to withstand Elijah, as told in I Kings 18:19.

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Gerald B. Winrod, Editor

PROPHECY, PRAYER CONFERENCE, CHICAGO

"WHY do the heathen rage and the people imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against his anointed."

This passage from the second Psalm, comes to mind when one considers the relation of the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the present international crisis. Powerfully organized forces, Satanic in character, have been released against the Gospel in all parts of the world.

Moral and spiritual darkness has settled upon whole nations. The brutal "god of war" is stalking the earth. International Communism has carried on a program of constant opposition to Christians and Christianity these many years. The effect of this atheistic assault is registered wherever red propaganda puts in its angry appearance.

Every voice for God has been silenced in Soviet Russia, one-sixth of the earth's surface. No country in Europe enjoys religious liberty at the present time. Military and political disturbances in the Orient, have served to smother the cry of Christian truth in that part of the world. Missionary activities, unhampered Bible instruction, Evangelism and teaching on the Second Coming of Christ, can not be tolerated in countries cursed with war, bloodshed, revolution and anarchy. In times of peril, freedom of worship is invariably jeopardized or destroyed, due to one pretext or another.

The United States remains practically the only place where the Gospel may be

preached without restraint. But alas, the same destructive agencies are at work here, only they are further advanced elsewhere. Even in Canada, censorship has caused the Message to be seriously diluted, thus eliminating much of its vital content. Behind this attack stands Satan, the Adversary. . . .

Christian leaders in the United States, who understand present trends, are concerned that the Evangelistic and Prophetic testimony shall be preserved and promulgated in its historical and evangelical purity. They believe that new spiritual forces need to be released, as a great militant movement, along fundamental Scriptural lines. They feel that the hour has come to issue a *Call* for special prayer and fellowship . . . a place to which Bible-

believing Christians of every shade of thought may repair, for the purpose of examining the present complicated world situation from the viewpoint of Prophecy and to evolve plans for a nationwide crusade of Evangelism and Witnessing. *Prophecy and Prayer* will be the keynote at Chicago, for eight days, starting October 13th.

In issuing the *Call* on September 3, 1940, Dr. W. D. Herrstrom, Director of the "Prophecy and Prayer Fellowship," released the following explanatory statement:

"It will be recalled that during the World War, there was a special tide of Christian Evangelism, with emphasis upon the subject of Prophecy. This interest seemed to crystallize in the great gathering at Philadelphia. Reports from all parts of the Country indicate special concern along the same general lines at this time of uncertainty, turmoil, and international unrest.

"A group of us have been talking, thinking and praying for some time about the advisability of sponsoring another conference. Personally, I would like to see a great Christian rally staged to give direction to the ever-increasing interest in the subject of Prophecy, and at the same time contribute to deepening and enriching the spiritual life of believers. . . .

"Complete plans have not yet been made, but the objective is definite — namely to emphasize the prophetic message, promote instruction along these lines, deepen spiritual life, and release new spiritual currents through prayer

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Prophecy and Prayer Fellowship

Realizing that the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ has come under special attack in recent months, even to the point of destroying the Prophetic message in many parts of the world.

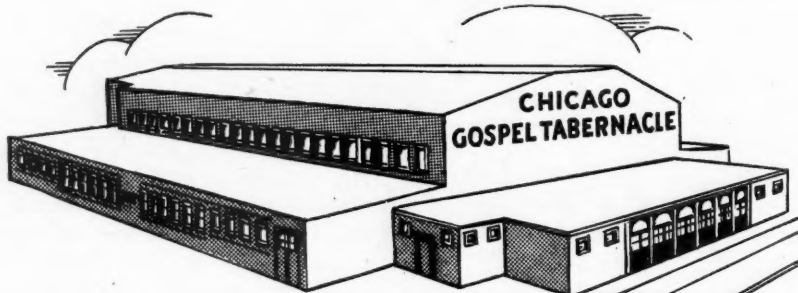
And realizing that new emphasis is needed in the promotion of constructive Evangelism as an antidote to present tendencies toward apostasy.

And believing that urgent need exists for a season of Bible study and fellowship on the part of Ministers, Evangelists, other Christian workers, and laymen, from all parts of the Nation.

We the undersigned join with others in extending an invitation to all who cherish the "Blessed Hope" and feel the need of united prayer and fellowship, to assemble with us for special day and evening meetings at the Chicago Gospel Tabernacle, 825 Barry Ave., Chicago, Illinois — October 13—20, 1940.

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The Church Is An Organism

Rev. Gerald B. Winrod, D. D.

"FOR as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: So we, being many, are one body in Christ." *Romans 12:4-5.*

The Church of Jesus Christ is primarily an organism, rather than an organization.

An organism pulsates with life. An organization is held together mechanically. A human being is an organism. An automobile is an organization.

There is an organizational or mechanical side to Christianity consisting of denominations, ecclesiasticism—the visible Church militant. But to be identified with a religious organization does not necessarily mean that one is a *Christian*.

Christianity is life, the life of Christ begotten in the womb of the heart through supernatural regeneration. The natural man is not a partaker of uncreated eternal life until born again, through the operation of the Holy Spirit in the depths of his moral nature.

When a certain Sunday School teacher asked his class of boys why it was difficult to be good and easy to be bad, a bright youngster replied, "Because a fellow is just naturally born crooked."

Through the physical birth, one becomes a partaker of the life of the First Adam. Through the spiritual birth, one becomes a partaker of the life of the Second Adam. "The first Adam was made a living soul; the last Adam was made a quickening spirit." . . . "As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive."

Jesus said, "Ye must be born again." The *must* in this statement to Nicodemus, is a *biological must*, rather than a *theological must*!

In the human organism there are many members — hands, eyes, ears, nose and limbs, but no two members fill the same office. So also in the true Church, there are many members

pulsating with the life of Christ, and no two are exactly alike.

The Greek word translated *Church* in the New Testament is *ekklesia* and means "called out" or "the elect." During the thirty-three years that our Lord was in the flesh, He established a new humanity, because those who receive and appropriate His life, literally become members of a "new creation." They possess qualities that differentiate them from persons who live in a spiritually unregenerate state. In the language of Titus true Christians are "a peculiar people, zealous of good works."

To use a metaphor . . . there are millions of cells in your body and you are alive simultaneously in everyone of them. In like manner, there are millions of cells, individual life units, in the body of Christ. He is alive simultaneously in all the members of His new creation. As every cell is a part of you, so every true believing Christian is a part of Him.

The Church as a whole constitutes an organism. The saints collectively have all the characteristics of an organism. *A perfect system of biology runs through the program of the Church.*

This eternal organism, may be studied according to the principles of biological science.

Biology is a comparatively new science, having arrived since the Civil War. It has to do with the study of that mysterious substance called protoplasm. The word *protoplasm* comes from the Greek *protos*, meaning first . . . and *plasma* implying formative material.

Under the microscope, a speck of protoplasm resembles the white of an egg. The human body is made up of billions of lumps of this building material, just as bricks make up the structure of a factory or dwelling. When a tiny speck of protoplasm is surrounded by a wall, it becomes a living cell. As indicated above, Christ is alive simultaneously in all regenerated mortals, and **EVERY TWICE-BORN SOUL IS A LIVING CELL IN HIS BODY.**

The relation of the believer to Christ is that of the branch to the vine. Sap (life) connect the two. Almost any group of believers can be divided in fifteen minutes on points of doctrine, but in Christ there is unity.

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Strange Isn't It?

"As ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now there are many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time."

Is there a silent, subtle, unconscious Satanic intelligence at work under the surface, behind the scenes, animating the nations that are being carried in the direction of one-man rule? Is there an underlying unity of purpose, which leaders themselves do not understand? Is the spirit of Antichrist moving among the inhabitants of the earth, pushing methodically toward the epoch which our Lord designated as the Great Tribulation? How can the *sameness* outlined below otherwise be explained? Is it a mere coincidence?

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1. Organisms Have Blood

All organisms have blood. In the year 1621, Sir William Harvey discovered the fact of the circulation of the blood. Centuries earlier, Moses made known the same fact in the book of Leviticus, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood." The Church, as an organism, has blood. The life of the Church is in the blood of Jesus Christ His Son that "cleanseth us from all sin."

Blood is the carrier of life. The chief function of digestive organs is to change foods so that they can pass into the blood. There is a blood of the fish, a blood of the beast, a blood of humans, a blood of the soul, and a spiritual blood. Plant and vegetable life has blood — sap. Blood differs in appearance on the various planes but its function is always the same, namely, to carry life to every part of the organism.

Blood transfused from one being to another communicates the qualities, virtues and nature of the one from whose veins the blood is taken. In the old days a pair of Siamese twins held different views on slavery. They had many heated arguments. When one of the twins became angry, a poison in the blood was communicated to the other, which made him sick. There is such a thing as soul blood-poison, but when Christ's blood is transfused into the spiritual blood stream of the twice-born soul, His life, nature, virtues and healing power become the possessions of the recipient.

The meaning of Calvary's tragedy transcends human intelligence and is veiled in a mystery that cannot be explained. No mortal will ever understand just why the shedding of Christ's blood was essential for the remission of sins. But millions have experienced personal salvation through acceptance of His Vicarious Atonement.

The law of sacrifice for sin was introduced immediately after the Fall, in Eden. Blood was shed when an animal was killed that "coats of skins" might be provided as a covering for the first parents. The blood shed at that time

was a type of the blood of the Lamb of God, spilled on the Tree that Christ might be made a covering of righteousness for the sinner.

2. Organisms Demand Nourishment

All organisms have appetites. They must have nourishment. From the simplest to the most complex, every organism has a system for appropriating food.

The amoeba, which is the smallest animal known to science, composed of one cell, has a digestive system. Amoebas are often found adhering to weeds and other submerged objects in stagnant water. Almost invisible to the naked eye, this infinitesimal creature must be examined under the microscope. It is practically colorless and resembles a shapeless blob of jelly. The fact that it is capable of changing its form, proves the amoeba to be an organism or living thing, rather than a mass of dead matter. It appropriates food by ingestion.

The flower is an organism. It requires food, air, water and warmth. It thrusts its root into the soil and draws to itself needed substances and by a process more powerful than gravitation, pulls this building material up to the leaves, where it is combined with carbon from the air and changed into nourishment. The digested foods are carried from the leaf to the parts of the plant which needs them. Plant life digests, circulates and assimilates food, casts off waste material, respire and reproduces. They reach perfumed fingers into the atmosphere and pull in the exact quantities of sunlight and carbon-dioxide needed.

In like manner the Church is an organism and demands nourishment. It subsists upon Christ. Christ is the food, the living Bread of the Church. He said, "I am the bread of life." "I am the bread which came down from heaven." "This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that man may eat thereof and not die." "I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any man eat of this bread, he shall live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." "This is that bread which came down

from heaven; not as your fathers did eat manna and are dead; he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever." We are taught to pray, "Give us this day our daily bread."

The Lord told His disciples: "Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you." This was a hard saying for the disciples and, "from that time many went back and walked no more with him." They did not understand the biology of the Church. They thought He wanted them to become cannibals.

The story is told of a man who started on a journey with a textbook on dietetics under his arm and a basket of food in his hand. He became tired and weary as his journey progressed. Every time the pangs of hunger gripped him, he would put the basket of food down, open his book and begin to read. By degrees he would forget his hunger. The book appealed to his reason and satisfied his intellect. The story goes that he finally died in the presence of a basket of food with the textbook on dietetics clasped violently in his arms. Is this not a picture of many professing Christian people who have the theory of Christianity, but have never learned how to assimilate the living presence of Christ?

3. Organisms Breathe

Plant life breathes by the process of osmosis. This means that air filters through the cells from the outside, virtual absorption. Trees breathe by the same process.

Every organism has a system peculiarly its own, a breathing apparatus, which appropriates oxygen. The fish breathes by means of a delicate mechanism whereby the oxygen is appropriated from the water.

In the human organism there are millions of lungs. Every cell in the physical body is a lung that breathes by osmosis. Since the members of the Church are living cells in the body of Christ, each member appropriates the Divine breath. The Holy Spirit is the vital breath of the Church. In John 20:22 we read: "And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost."

There is an illumination of soul, an unique experimental relationship with the Holy Spirit, which only the spiritually-minded believing Christian may know. The carnally-minded person lacks spiritual lung capacity.

4. Organisms are Reproductive

All organisms, when normal, instinctively reproduce. They are creative. They multiply according to kind.

It is basic in biological science that all life forms reproduce "after their kind." Something has been said about lower animals evolving into higher animals. This phase of the evolutionary

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hypothesis is called the transmutation of species. Such a thing is unknown to science. All organisms reproduce within the charmed circle of the species, according to the Genesis statement "after their kind."

Slight changes may occur within the boundary line of the species but no animal can cross over and bring forth another type of life. If the transmutation of the species were true, the earth would be populated with monstrosities. There would be creatures with heads like men and necks like giraffes and bodies like horses. Species would be all mixed up, but such is not the case, because each type reproduces according to kind. When Jesus fed the five thousand, He multiplied fish from fish and bread from bread.

In like manner, the Church being an organism, breeds, multiplies, reproduces its kind through evangelism. A Church without an evangelistic passion is a pitiful institution. It is embarrassing to confess that present-day Church organizations have become filled with unconverted people who know little or nothing about spiritual reproduction by the process of the new birth.

I was holding a meeting in a southern city when the proprietor of one of the hotels joined the church in which I was speaking. I happened to be living in the same hotel. After the service I returned, and passing through the lobby heard him utter a series of oaths, closing with the statement: "There, now, I am a Christian. My wife has been after me to join the church for ten years. Look me over, boys, I'm saved." Needless to say, the man was embarrassed when he turned and saw that I had heard the conversation. He was evidently a *Winrod convert* . . . it is certain that the Lord did not convert him.

When the blood is pure and the organism normal, it will create its kind. If the Church has lost its soul-winning passion . . . if it is impotent and incapable of exercising the powers of reproduction, there is a reason—something is wrong with the blood. It is anemic. It has lost its blood message, namely, that "the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

5. Organisms are Active

Every organism is essentially restless, active, on the move. This power of locomotion differentiates living things from minerals and mechanical devices.

Returning to the amoeba, we find that it is a creature of action, that the protoplasm of which it is made flows constantly, possesses a rolling motion, capable of bodily contractions.

The paramecium is a somewhat flattened, one-celled animal. Its body is almost transparent and consists of semi-fluid protoplasm bounded by very delicate membrane — pellicle, through which project numerous delicate

threads of protoplasm called cilia. The locomotion of this animal is caused by this cilia in movement. It is agreed that all simple jelly forms of life are constantly moving. The same principle of movement and restlessness exists on the higher planes among the more complex forms.

Action is an evidence of life. A running stream purifies itself. The Church was intended by its Founder to be a *going* concern. The last thing Jesus said before His departure was "Go ye." The man who regards the Gospel as a message only for white men is color blind.

When one catches the missionary spirit, pushes his horizons back, and becomes passionately interested in the salvation of the black man of the jungles, and the yellow man of the Orient, it is like discovering a new continent. The true Christian will be animated by a *holy restlessness* to carry the Gospel to less fortunate members of the human race. There is no joy that comes to the heart of man like that of knowing one has been instrumental in pushing back the Gospel frontiers, carrying the message of redeeming love into the dark places of the earth.

6. Organisms are Susceptible to Parasites

Every organism may become the victim at any time, of parasites. A parasite is a slimy destructive creature, being unable to live by its own merit, subsists upon the body of another. Chestnut blight of canker is an example. This parasitical creature produces millions of tiny spores which, blown by the wind, light on trees, sprout, and deposit under the bark, a thread-like mycelia which absorbs the food circulating in the living cells, eventually causing the death of the tree.

Another parasite of the lower order is shelf or bracket fungus. In the shelflike body of this parasite are formed millions of asexual spores. When they fall on a dead or dying tree trunk, it may start a new fungus growth. Once established, it spreads rapidly. There is no remedy except to kill the tree and burn it, to destroy the spores.

All parasites fall automatically under two classifications — internal parasites and external parasites. The leech, a blood-sucking creature, is an external parasite. There grows in the Southland a beautiful substance, a parasite, that hangs like draperies on the trees called Spanish Moss.

The proverbial tapeworm is an in-

ternal parasite. A ribbon-like creature, it is made up of many segments. This particular parasite infests both man and vertebrate animals. One particular tapeworm (*Taenia solium*) passes through two stages in its life history — the first within a pig, the second within the intestines of man. The eggs from which it develops are usually passed off with wastes from the intestines of man. But the pig, an animal of filthy habits, takes in tapeworm embryos with its food. These develop in the body of the pig and are frequently passed on to man through undercooked pork. In this case the human becomes the second host for the tapeworm.

Another common tapeworm (*Taenia saginata*) lives part of its life as an embryo within the muscles of cattle. The full grown tapeworm of this family possesses hooks, by means of which it fastens itself to the wall of the human intestines. From its head, there buds a series of segment-like structures, which are simply bags full of sperms and eggs. Needless to say the presence of these creatures in the human organism results in pain, suffering, and loss of health.

In like manner the Church is an organism. As we study its progress through the centuries, we find that again and again it has become the victim of powerful, blood-destroying parasites. In recent times a new philosophy, entirely unlike historical and evangelical Christianity, has sprung up like tares in the Church. Every basic doctrine of the Faith has been called into question.

Modernism is a destructive agency, an internal parasite, which has poisoned the organism of the Church. It is a blood-sucking force which has to a great extent, robbed the Gospel of its creative power, reducing the Church to the level of a human institution, diseased, impotent, unable to reproduce itself through evangelization, sapped of its spiritual vitality, robbed of its blood message as the only remedy for sin.

We find that this parasite has many segments. It reaches into foreign mission fields. It infiltrates Sunday School and other denominational literature. It curses Christian educational institutions. Its presence is noted in theological seminaries. It moves from pulpits into pews.

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tapeworms from human bodies. He called it *dynamite*.

I replied, by an analogy that the Church of Jesus Christ needed that kind of medicine in the present crisis . . . because we read in Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive POWER, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be my witnesses unto *the* both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

The Greek word in the original text for "power" is *dunamis*—and compares favorably with the English word dynamite. It is consistent to say that a revival of supernatural religion, a new baptism of spiritual power, an explosion of Divine dynamite, would blast the segments of the filthy tapeworm of Modernism from the organism of the Church and restore its blood message of transforming power.

Courage Is Required To Read This Book

"*The Talmud Unmasked*" is the title of a book recently published by Col. E. N. Sanctuary, which courageous Christians will want to read and loan.

Increasing interest is being manifested in the mysterious code of international Jewry — comprising a set of 63 books, embracing 524 chapters, known as the Talmud. Efforts have been made to keep it out of Christian hands.

Christians have Col. Sanctuary, a well known Baptist layman, to thank for this new book which contains a large number of quotations, together with an accurate statement of the history and general contents of the Tal-

lud. The original treatise was prepared by Rev. I. B. Pranaitis in 1892. Sanctuary's new book is a translation from Pranaitis, whose work was done in Latin. Pranaitis said:

"In this work I have quoted from only a very few of the Talmudic books which refer to the Christians. For the sake of brevity, and to spare your sensitive soul, I omitted many others which could have been included. These texts, however, which I have quoted should be sufficient to demonstrate how false are the statements of the Jews when they claim that there is nothing in the Talmud which teaches hatred and enmity for Christians."

When one learns of the contents of the Talmud, he comes to understand the source of the viciousness which has accompanied the spread of atheistic Communism. All of the pent-up hatred of this code was suddenly released, like a tidal wave, upon the Russian people 22 years ago, and has since penetrated 62 different nations. Litvinoff, for instance, the son of a rabbi, came from a home where the code was studied.

Our Lord referred to the Talmud in these words: "But he answered and said unto them, Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition." . . . "For I say unto you, That except your righteousness shall exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into the kingdom of heaven."

As a Christian, your soul will be nauseated when you read quotations from this source, which is largely responsible for the present unsettled condition of the world. Every informed person knows that vicious Fascist and Nazi militarism, is a reaction against the system of Jewish international, political and financial control which has its roots in the Talmud. *America must be saved from Fascism, Nazism and Communism.*

When Col. Sanctuary first brought this book out, it was necessary to charge \$1.00 per copy for the cloth bound product. But *The Defender* is in position to announce, at this time, that a cheaper edition is available — *the price being only 25 cents or 5 copies for \$1.00.* Orders from *Defender* Readers are now being filled.

A Letter From Mr. Compton

The 1940 Eliada Camp Meeting A Great Success. Audiences numbered more than two thousand persons some nights. Christians present from many parts of the Southland.

Dear Doctor Winrod:—

I want to take this opportunity of expressing to you my deep appreciation for the faithful service you rendered at our Eliada Camp Meeting, which has just closed. As you know this was the thirty-seventh Annual Camp Meeting, and I can recall no Camp when we had a better spirit, a deeper interest and more faithful preaching than you and Rev. John Wesley Lee of Lincoln, Nebraska, presented.

I am in a position to know the pulse beat of all the people who attend the Eliada Camp, and I can truthfully say you were at your best this year. This is admitted by everyone with whom I conversed. Your messages had greater unction and the real Gospel never was presented in a clearer light, than you presented it this year at Eliada. Each message was fruitful.

I feel like passing this word of appreciation on to you, along with a whole-hearted invitation to be one of our speakers at the 1941 Eliada Camp, for in all the years you have been coming to Eliada this was your climax in every respect. I come to this conclusion because of the testimony of the old-timers who have kept up with this Camp from its beginning, and we heartily agree we have had no Camp when there has been a sweeter spirit, greater accomplishment for our Lord, and more faithful witnessing, than this year's Camp Meeting.

We were glad to have with us your precious daughter, Geraldine, and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pope, your secretaries.

We are already looking forward to the 1941 Camp when we shall have you back with us for more of this glorious presentation of the faithful Word. I speak on behalf of all the Camp, and especially my family and co-workers at Eliada. God bless you forever.

Wholeheartedly your Friend,

Lucius B. Compton,
(Asheville, N. C.)

The following article appeared in the "Asheville Times," August 15, 1940 . . .

The Rev. Lucius B. Compton, founder and general manager of the Eliada Home and director of the 37th annual camp meeting in progress at the orphanage, yesterday defended the Rev. Dr. Gerald B. Winrod, of Kansas, who is delivering a series of addresses at the meeting.

Mr. Compton said:

"Dr. Winrod is undoubtedly one of the most misrepresented and maligned men in public life today. This is due to the fact that he is a man of courage and uncompromising convictions. His record as a stalwart defender of Christian Americanism is something of which any man could be justly proud. For more than twenty years he has traveled over this country upholding and defending those things which are sacred to the heart of every true American and lover of constitutional democracy. His attacks upon Communism, Nazism, Fascism and dictatorial ideas of government in general, have caused him to be attacked and systematically smeared from various sources.

"On the other hand, Dr. Winrod's public addresses, books, magazines and published utterances have always stood the acid test. In this section of the country he numbers his friends by the thousands and the large audiences which he always addresses in these parts, testify to the appreciation of the people for his work."

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Genesis reveals an earth shrouded in darkness. Revelation tells of an earth robed in the glory of God.

Genesis tells us of the night. Revelation tells us of a time when there will be no night.

Genesis tells of the creation of man. Revelation tells of the redemption of man.

Genesis tells of an earthly Paradise. Revelation, of a heavenly Paradise.

Genesis tells of the marriage of the First Adam and his bride. Revelation tells of the Last Adam and His Bride.

Genesis tells of the entrance of the Serpent. Revelation, of the exit of the Serpent.

Genesis tells of the entrance of sin. Revelation, of the end of sin.

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In Genesis God calls to man. In Revelation man calls to God.

In Genesis the curse begins. In Revelation the curse ends.

In Genesis the earth is renovated by water. In Revelation the earth is renovated by fire.

In Genesis the gates of Paradise are shut. In Revelation the gates of Paradise are never shut.

Genesis tells of the corruption of the earthly city. Revelation tells of the incorruption of the Heavenly City.

Genesis speaks of death. Revelation speaks of resurrection.

Genesis tells of the dethronement of the first king, Adam. Revelation tells of the enthronement of the last King, Christ.

Genesis tells of the failure of man. Revelation tells of the triumph of God.

This means that every day brings us one day closer to the eventual and inevitable triumph of the Lord. If we are on His side we are on the side of certain victory. This should give us courage in these dark days.

With this as a background we shall discuss certain truths related to the coming *Mark of the Beast*.

The Rise of Dictators

"And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy." (Rev. 13:1)

The "sea" here represents the nations. The "sea" rests upon the "sand." This indicates that in the end of the age the nations will be built upon the "sand" of atheism, lawlessness, and defiance of God, rather than upon Christ, the eternal Rock of Ages.

The "foolish" man built his house upon the sand. The nations today have gone mad and are bent upon dethroning the God of Heaven. When men turn their backs upon God there is always anarchy, chaos, depression,

war, famine, pestilence, death. This is the penalty for unbelief.

Out of the commotion of nations, at a time when they will be worn to weakness by war and revolution, there arises a Superman. He is here called the "Beast." Most Bible expositors believe that he will be the Antichrist, the international dictator.

Before one man can rule the world, the populations of the various nations must be regimented. This is apparently what is happening throughout the world today.

Individual nations must first come under the power of a dictator. Later, the various dictators will hand their power over to the Dictator of Dictators, Antichrist. This is the message of Revelation 13.

What means the rise of Stalin who wields power over one-sixth of the land surface of the earth; who holds 200-million people under the iron heel of his ruthless rule?

What means the rise of Mussolini who sways the scepter over 60-million subjects and who boasts that he will restore the old Roman Empire to a glory and power exceeding that of the past?

What means the rise of Hitler who in six years built the most powerful military machine in history, and who in twelve months crushed, and extended his power, over a dozen nations?

Spain has a dictator. Greece has a dictator. Turkey has a dictator. England has a dictator. France has a dictator. China has a dictator. Japan has

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a dictator. And now, Rumania has a dictator.

In fact, every major nation on earth has a dictator, with the possible exception of the United States.

If the present program of regimentation and governmental regulation in every realm continues in our own country, it will be only a matter of months until we too shall find that our liberties have vanished into thin air, while saluting a dictator.

What means this spirit of dictatorship? It is in the air. The masses will not worship God, but they will worship a man. They will not salute the God of Heaven, but they will salute a man of this earth. They will not bow the knee to the Lord, but they will bend their knees for a Superman. They will not make any sacrifice for a Heavenly King, but they will make the supreme sacrifice for an earthly king. They will not trust the Lord to supply their needs, but they will trust a dictator to give them security.

What does it mean? It means that the time appears to be getting ripe for the coronation of the predicted world dictator, Satan's masterpiece, the Antichrist—Satan in human form.

It means that a world which has dethroned God will enthrone Satan. It means that the human race has sold out to its worst enemy, and turned its back upon its best friend. It means that the Lord is soon coming back to take out His own. It means that Satan will inaugurate a reign of terror upon the earth unparalleled in the annals of recorded history. It means that the human family will be drenched in blood. It means that famine will stalk across the earth claiming millions of victims. It means that pestilence will take its terrible toll. It means that one-third of the world's population will be slain. (Rev. 9:18)

The Image Of The Beast

When the Beast is finally revealed, an image will be erected.

"And he doeth great wonders, . . . and deceiveth them . . . saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they

should make an image to the beast." (Rev. 13:13, 14)

Many of the best Bible expositors believe that the Beast will arise within the confines of the old Roman Empire.

Mussolini is at least a forerunner of the final Beast. He has revived the old Roman Empire, as the prophecies announced. He expects soon to expand it to include everything bordering on the Mediterranean, thus making that largest inland body of water once more a Roman Lake. Fascism is the breath of Satan poured into the carcass of the Roman beast of history.

It is significant that the man who restored the ancient Empire is now having an image constructed in Rome. The image will be a likeness of the Italian dictator, approximately three hundred feet high. Its head will be thirty feet high. In the head they propose to have a radio station. That will give the image the power of speech. If a dictator should deify himself, as did the Roman emperors of old, he could easily prescribe a penalty for those who refused to bow the knee to him. The disobedient could be put to death.

We do not say that Mussolini will be the Antichrist, nor do we say that the image now under construction in Rome is the image of the Beast. We submit the prophetic outline as *food for thought*. We do say that these events are highly significant and indicate that Mussolini is at least a forerunner of the coming image to the Beast.

The times and seasons are in the hands of God. We do not know "when" certain events are going to take place, but we know that eventually certain things "must" come to pass. Students of Bible prophecy will watch with keen interest, further developments along these lines.

The image described in Revelation thirteen is evidently a mechanical monstrosity for Satan has no power to create actual "life." Only God can do that.

This image is a counterfeit man; a soulless man. He has no conscience and is not morally responsible. It is possi-

ble that automatically he will put dissenters to death. The robot man, Mr. Televox, serves to turn people's minds in the direction of this prophecy. Every automatic mechanical device is helping to set the stage for this conglomeration of mechanical ingenuity.

"Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions." (Eccl. 7:29)

Various Insignia

"And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads." (Rev. 13:16)

In recent times dictators have given much prominence to various insignia.

Soviet Russia uses the Hammer and Sickle. The Hammer represents the industrial worker. The Sickle represents the agriculturist. The two together represent a union of the working people. The "Red" leaders promise to improve the status of the downtrodden but what they really hope to do is merely use the masses as a "Red" front or "People's" front for their program of revolution. In Russia the Hammer and Sickle is seen everywhere.

In Germany the Swastika is the prominent emblem. It is seen even on the uniforms of the soldiers. Places of business display it to show their loyalty to the Nazi regime. Swastika flags are numerous.

Italy has adopted the ancient emblem of the Fases. It is given prominence throughout Mussolini's Empire. This insignia, strange enough, may be seen on the tails' side of our American dimes.

The United States recently had its Blue Eagle. It immediately became more prominent than the true American Eagle. It was placed in the windows of business firms and homes. The symbol was placed on nearly every manufactured product. It swept the nation almost over night.

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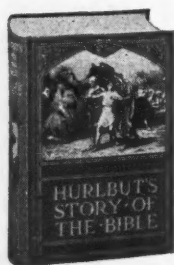
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The proposed boycott which went with the Blue Eagle would soon have amounted to dictatorship as absolute as that in Soviet Russia had the new eagle survived. However, the imported "foreign" bird soon died in the free atmosphere of American liberty.

The Hammer and Sickle is not the mark of the Beast. The Swastika is not the mark of the Beast. The Fasces is not the mark of the Beast. The Blue Eagle was not the mark of the Beast.

All of these, however, were "fore-runners" of the coming international "mark" which will be accompanied by an international boycott of all who do not submit. The penalty for dissenters will be death.

"And he causeth all . . . to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is six hundred three score and six." (Rev. 13: 16-18)

There are many interpretations of this passage and we most assuredly do not claim infallibility but do suggest some things that will be of interest to most students of prophecy. . . .

The radio and television are demanding an international language. Necessity is the mother of invention.

Esperanto was concocted to be of universal usage. It gained little popularity except with the Communists, who have taught it in the public school buildings of our Country, at night. No charge was made for the use of the buildings, and the taxpayers thus shouldered the burden of paying for the demoralization of their own children by the godless Bolsheviks.

Since Fascism may be the system of government of the Antichrist, rather than Communism, we may expect some other language to be adopted universally.

The letters of the alphabet have a numerical value in certain languages. It is possible that in the international or universal language of Antichrist, his name will have three letters, the numerical value of which will be 666. At any rate, three letters will be branded, tattooed, on the right hand or forehead.

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Thus the "mark," the "name" and the "number" of the Beast will be one and the same.

This mark will probably be always in the right hand unless it is incapacitated. In that case, it will be in the forehead.

In order to display a mark in the right hand under all conditions, it will be necessary to raise the hand, palm forward. When this is done, you are giving what is now the Fascist salute. This greeting was copied from the Caesars of ancient Rome. Fascists are sometimes called "rightists," while the Communists are "leftists."

It is significant that Mussolini has revived the old Roman Empire and that within its confines the coming salute of the Antichrist is prevalent. However, there is no mark in the flesh, as yet.

When the Beast rules the world everyone will be required to wear the mark of the Beast. Failure to display this sign will place one under the death sentence.

Along with regimentation, by dictators, there is a rising tide of hatred for the Bible, the Church, the Christian, and especially the Preacher. The one who teaches Bible prophecy may expect to be a special target for Satanic persecution.

It is impossible to discuss prophetic Scripture without touching on national and international trends which are leading the world in the direction of the coming international dictator. The Lord intended that His servants should have discernment along this line and warn the people, lest they be found financing their own destruction, and cooperating with the emissaries of Satan.

This is no doubt the reason why the prophetic message has been barred from some nations — in fact most nations, except our own. Satan hates exposure and it would not do for the public to know that demon forces are behind present trends.

The time for proclaiming the prophetic message may be short. Christians should work while it is day. When the Antichrist reigns there will be a death penalty for naming the name of Christ. The haters of Christ are regimenting the world for that day.

Lost sinner, get right with God. If you do not, you may find yourself later crushed under the heel of the Antichrist system.

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"BEWARE of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit."

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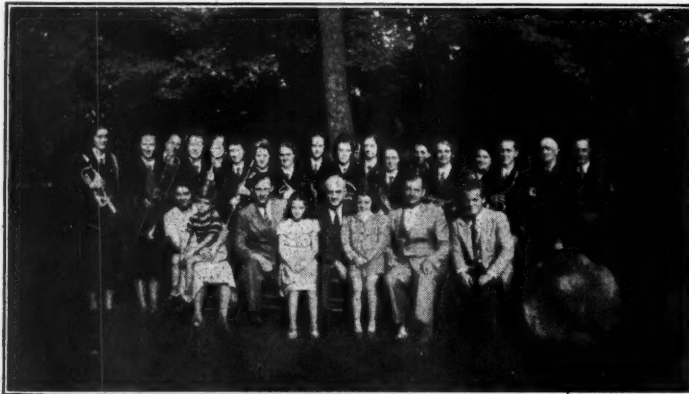
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This camp ground, located nine miles east of Dixon, Illinois, became a Mecca to many Defender Readers and other Bible-believing Christians during the nine-day Bible Conference which started August 25th.

Meetings were held each morning and evening, including three addresses daily. The gathering was sponsored jointly by the Defenders of the Christian Faith, and the Florida Bible Institute. Dr. William T. Watson, President of the School, was present the first five days of the meeting but had departed for Florida before the above photograph was taken.

In spite of inclement weather, the attendance was satisfactory. The spiritual atmosphere was a benediction to all who attended. Some people came from as far as 200 miles away. The services enjoyed a strong prophetic emphasis. The interest manifested at Camp Christian during those wonderful days, is indicative of an unmistakable trend, now moving among Christians in all parts of the United States — namely, a resurgence of interest in the study of Bible Prophecy.

Similar conferences, interdenominational in character, are now being planned for other parts of the Country. Detailed announcements will appear in later issues of The Defender.

Certain sections of our *controlled* press delight in exploiting the term Fifth Column for the purpose of smearing the real friends of American liberty. There seems to be no limit to the abuse which these interests are able to make of a supposedly free press. But the time is not far distant when the present crop of left-wing writers will be replaced by men and women of journalistic integrity.

Millions of Americans were shocked, for instance, upon discovering that the name of Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh was being blazoned in deep, black headlines, as leader of the Fifth Column movement in this Country. Of course, the allegation was so absurd that no unbiased person took it seriously. Few people will question the patriotism of men like Colonel Lindbergh. This exaggeration became a boomerang and helped many to a better understanding of the methods used by the *smear gang* in their attempt to promote confusion.

But the frenzied and false use of the term must not be allowed to becloud the real issue. There is treacherous, traitorous, activity within our borders and the Christian public needs to be warned against the deceptive devices employed to break down patriotic morale. Millions of Americans are asking: Who are the real Fifth Columnists? Joseph P. Kamp, writing in the challenging booklet, "The Fifth Column in Washington," answers the question.

He speaks about the quickened interest to do something about our enemies within, on the part of those who a few months ago joined the Communist in shouting "red baiting" at the Dies Committee. He points out, however, that despite the "withering barrage of invective, no one, as yet, has laid hands on, or even pointed a finger at a real, live, honest-to-goodness member of the Fifth Column."

The reason for this fact, Mr. Kamp explains, is that a great deal of *Hawshaw* activity is hysterical nonsense, and that "the new crop of Hitler-haters and Stalin-baiters don't know what it's all about." It is his opinion that no informed person believes the real Fifth Columnists, trained in the art of dis-

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guise, will disclose their identities or fall into traps set by newly awakened patriots. Says Mr. Kamp: "It is nonsense to expect effective uncovering of the Fifth Column by amateurs who may have an axe to grind, or who may be in sympathy with one or the other segment of the Fifth Column."

The Author says that we should not be on guard for agents of only one foreign power. But, on the contrary, no subversive acts, whether Nazi, Fascist or Communist should be tolerated.

It is Mr. Kamp's observation that some attempts, on the part of red sympathizers, to demonstrate patriotism, borders on the fantastic. "Even Jeff Davis, 'King of the Hoboes,' decided that the 'Knights of the road' should do their part, with the result that, '800,000 Jungle Bulls' have their 'eyes and ears open.' They are under the command of 'one-Eye' Connolly, the famous gate-crasher whose phenomenal ability should get him into the most inaccessible hide-aways of the subversive elements — if only 'One-Eye' knew what a disloyal Fifth Columnite looked like."

The burlesquing of a serious problem, appears in the attempt of certain government officials to clear their record of suspicion, Mr. Kamp further charges. And this exposure of big names in the present administration is the core of "The Fifth Column in Washington." Quoting from page 7:

"Secretary Ickes, for example, took a 'white-wash' bath. To protect the government and my staff from false and hysterical charges," he sent a memo (it was as simple as that) to all Interior Department employees asking if they were members of any political organization or party advocating the 'overthrow of our Constitutional form of government?' Can anyone believe that 'Honest Harold' was naive enough to expect that Communist and Nazi spies and saboteurs would identify themselves and step right up to be fired? He knows better than that, so why this absurd gesture?

"Secretary Ickes' anxiety and precaution could be explained, no doubt, by the answer to a riddle which has been making the rounds. 'Is there any

difference between the Communists and the Nazis?' is the question. 'Oh, yes,' comes the response, 'the Communists have government jobs!'"

With the kind permission of the reader, your Staff Writer wishes to editorialize at this point: Since the decline of Communist sentiment in the United States, a result of the Russo-German pact of August 1939, and the consequent desertion of the Comintern program by international Jewish finance and propaganda mechanisms, this Country has witnessed a mad rush on the part of former reds and pinks to climb on the band wagon of patriotism. Notable among this group of "quick change artists" several are left-wing columnists whose writings appear regularly in the daily press.

It is almost humorous to those who have observed the exodus, to note the position in which this coterie of hypocrites find themselves. Once loud in their acclaim for the "experiment" of Soviet Russia, for the great "democracy" at Moscow . . . now they suddenly change color, like the proverbial chameleon, and expect the public to forget the past services they have rendered the cause of international Communism. Energy which for many years was devoted to opposition for our system of government, is now being directed in flag waving for Constitutional democracy.

However, in the changing process, some of the reds and pinks, being slow to note the trend, were pushed aside in the scramble for the band wagon. This is possibly true of a certain lady writer of daily syndicated articles who still insists on defending the American Youth Congress.

Former Communists and Communist sympathizers are the best trained Fifth Columnists, because they are best acquainted with Trojan Horse tactics. . . .

The Constitutional Educational League, Inc., to which we are indebted for this illuminating pamphlet, does not represent the opportunist or alarmist school of thought. Since the year 1919, it has operated on broad educational lines, for the purpose of warning the American people of the encroachments of parasitical elements, thus building up resistance against the very agencies of evil which are now rampant.

The League's contribution to Americanism cannot be computed. When

the Nation was threatened with revolution and anarchy on the strike fronts, it published two of Mr. Kamp's fighting pamphlets, "The Hell of Herrin Rages Again," and "Join the CIO and Help Build a Soviet America." These messages, circularized by the tens of thousands, helped to stabilize a large section of our population.

And now, at another period of crisis, "The Fifth Column in Washington," a pamphlet with the explosive qualities of a high caliber bomb, is being released on mass scale.

The first chapter may be described as foundational. In the following three, Mr. Kamp links names with well-documented evidence and sets forth disclosures that will undoubtedly amaze the reader. The last chapter contains a list of over five hundred persons on the government payroll identified with questionable activities.

Defender Readers will be interested in the Author's definition of a Fifth Columnist: "The fifth column in America is made up of an amazing conglomeration of radicals who believe in a hundred different variations of the Marxian philosophy. There are a dozen different brands of communism, while nazism, officially called National Socialism, is a variant of Italian Fascism, but all stem from Marx. . . . Collectively they despise the American system of society and government with its provisions for free enterprise, private property and individual liberty. They are determined, at all costs, that the Constitution must be destroyed and the United States Government overthrown. Then they propose to establish a

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Money--And The Widow's Mite

Dr. J. O. Kinnaman, Madison College, Tenn.

"**MONEY**" is a word with which to conjure. The ancients speculated about it and so do moderns. What it is, no one seems to know, but everyone wants his share, yea, more than his share usually. An atmosphere of mystery, an intangible something, surrounds it. Even the origin of the word is not definitely known.

The English word *Money* is usually considered as derived from a Latin word *Moneta*, a term applied to the Roman goddess, Juno. It is supposed that this phrase was given to the goddess because the first mint was established in one of her temples. The vaults of the place of worship were guarded by the priests.

Coinage, as we understand it today, came late in history. Rome was not the first nation to "coin" money in the modern sense, but Persia. Later the plan was instituted by the Roman government. The precious metals, gold and silver, were known from very early times. The use of these metals as a "standard of exchange" seems to be as old as civilization.

Originally, the power to create coins was vested solely with rulers. It was a crime punishable by death for an individual to be caught usurping this right. But designing goldsmiths and temple guards found a way for gaining *personal control* of monetary systems, and coins hidden in vaults for safe keeping, became a basis for issuing private money in the form of slips of paper.

Since only goldsmiths had safe places to preserve valuables, merchants brought their gold to them. In turn, the goldsmith would give the merchant a receipt. Eventually, receipts began to be circulated for exchange purposes instead of coins. Business was conducted by the exchange of receipts. This was much easier than using coins. Thus, paper money was created.

Quantities of gold and silver accumulated in the vaults of the goldsmiths, so they issued more receipts—currency. The love of money being the root of evil, tricky goldsmiths conceived the plan of *inflating the currency*, and made out hundreds of times as many receipts as they had coins on hands. This fraud finally became the lawful foundation for modern currency and banking.

Had all the receipt-holders demanded their gold and silver at the same time, there would have been a "run" on the temple bank, and a goldsmith might have been seen hanging by the neck from the limb of a nearby tree the next morning.

With the passing of the centuries, international goldsmiths were able to gain control of currency at the point of issue, and by this means exercise power over kings and dominate nations. President Garfield said: "Whoever controls the money of a nation, controls that nation." Amshel, founder of the house of Rothschild, said he cared not who made the laws of a nation, just so long as he was able to control its money.

The men who wrote the United States Constitution sought to protect the people from the strangle hold grip of private money-changers by placing the right to control the Nation's money in the hands of the Congress. Section 8 of the first Article of the Constitution contains the following provision: "The Congress shall have power to coin money, regulate the value thereof, and of foreign coin, and fix the standard of weights and measures."

There are some who insist that this clause has been violated by legislative measures rushed through Congress, whereby the rights of the people were voted away and taken over by modern goldsmiths for personal gain, creating unnecessary and untold suffering among the masses.

Money, in its generic sense, is first used in literature in Genesis 17:13 . . . 20:16 . . . 37:28. The Hebrew word in these passages translated into the English as *Money* is *keset*, which in its root-meaning, is *silver*. Up to the time of the return of the Hebrews from Exile, Money was not coined, but weighed.

I refer you to Exodus 22:16, 17 . . . II Samuel 18:11, 12 . . . and I Kings 20:39. With his Money, a person also carried a pair of balances to weigh out the precious substance when it became necessary to purchase some commodity. The "dust," as the sourdoughs of the Klondike called it, was undoubtedly in "rings." These "rings," translated into English by the word "talent," are represented on the monuments of Egypt, and they constitute the oldest form of Money of which we have physical knowledge.

I am inclined to believe that these "rings" consisted of gold or silver encased in some kind of container, bent into circles. The containers may have been quills from some species of bird, the goose, for instance. I suggest this because I have seen old time miners bring home hundreds of dollars worth of "dust" in goose quills.

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The Hebrew word that means *ring* as applied to Money is *kikkar*. It also means *talent*. The Egyptians used the "ring" as a standard of exchange, while the Babylonians used an altogether different form, i.e., wedge-shaped pieces of gold. Assyria used the same form as the Babylonians. But this latter form was never adopted in Palestine by the Hebrews, nor any other place occupied by them. Thus there were two systems of Money in the Near East—Babylonian and Egyptian. We find reference to the Babylonian system in Joshua 7:21.

The Egyptian system was of a decimal order, while the system of Babylon was the sexagesimal, i.e., a plan based upon sixty and its multiples. This was a very awkward arrangement, and thoroughly disliked by the Hebrews and Egyptians. In this scheme the "shekel" became the unit of weight. This standard was calculated in gold. Thus two monetary systems vied with each other, each fostered by one of the world powers then in existence.

The Phoenicians stepped into the breach with a compromise that was calculated to stabilize both metals and place currency on a bi-metallic basis. This was accomplished by instituting the "mina" as the standard. This "mina" was equal to fifty shekels with gold and silver on the ratio of ten to one. When this was accomplished, then "coinage" *per se* became also an established fact.

In this study we must take into consideration that Palestine, as an independent government, did not have an extensive career at any time of its history. Palestine during the major portion of its history was either a province, or a mandate of some world power, as is the case today. At the time of Christ, the Jews did not enjoy the privilege of coining their own money.

But a special grant of coinage was made to them by Antiochus Sidetes ca. 139 B. C. This privilege was given to Simon, the Maccabean. He died in February 135 B. C. and was succeeded by his son, John Hyrcanus. Then Antiochus Sidetes annulled the grant ca. 134 B. C. (Ref. I Macc. XV:27), but allowed them to issue silver coins, including "brass," "bronze," or "copper" coins. The word "brass" cannot properly be assigned to ancient coinage, but copper is the proper name.

These unique coins, very small in size, were derived from types native to Syria and Egypt, but conforming to the requirements of the Hebrew law,

viz.—excluding animal representation in the superscription. Permission was granted for these coins to be issued in the name of the reigning prince, or Hebrew community.

It seems that they were produced for a special and specific purpose; it does not appear, or seem probable that they were of a general issue common to all purposes of coinage. They appear to have been used only to pay *special and specified taxes*. They were for the purpose of paying a special "temple tax," just as certain States in the United States now issue "tin money" to pay a "sales tax." The Egyptian government seems to have issued their small coins for the same purpose.

Now let us draw a picture, if you please. It is staged at the Temple of Herod, not the Temple of Solomon, as some students of the Bible have thought. There was vast difference between the two temples. The area in-



✓ The Defender is indebted to the Foursquare Crusader for the above photographic reproduction of the Widow's Mite, described by Dr. Kinnaman in the accompanying article.

cluded in the Temple of Herod was far greater than that of the Temple of Solomon. The Temple of Herod had an area or common court, where sacrificial animals of all kinds were quartered or stabled for sale; and where the bankers and money-changers had their counters. The area of the Temple proper included the Men's Court and the Women's Court. It was in the women's court, sometimes called the Treasury, that the collection boxes were located.

The Master was in the Temple delivering one of His talks, as described in Mark 12:41, "And Jesus sat over against (opposite, or facing) the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money (brass, copper) into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. And there came a certain poor

widow, and she threw in two mites (*leptons*), which make a farthing (*kodrantes*). Luke tells us of the scene in shorter and more concise language.

The coins that the widow dropped into the treasury that day, to pay her "temple tax" were the smallest issued. The value, calculated in American money would be about one-fifth of a cent, or two mills. The total that the humble giver put in the box was about four mills. Yet this was all she had, or as Jesus put it: "But she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living." The coin was called a *lepton*, which being translated into the English is the word "mite"—meaning small.

This coin here represented by the photograph, had an inscription on one face, and a representation of certain objects on the other. It is of the John Hyrcanus coinage, who was High Priest from 135-105 B. C.

Dr. W. F. Albright of Johns Hopkins University translates the superscription as follows: "Belonging to Johanan the high priest and the Senate of the Jews." The Hebrew word translated *Senate* is *heber* and it can also be translated *community*. The superscription of these special "mites" up to 105 B. C. was always in Old Hebrew characters. During the rule of the successor of John Hyrcanus, Alexander Jannaeus, the Hebrew characters were discontinued and Greek letters substituted. At the same time, the word "king" was introduced into the legend.

During my life I have seen one genuine "mite" of the John Hyrcanus coinage. I am sorry that no photograph of it is available for Defender Readers at this time. The superscription appeared in the characters of the Old Hebrew as follows, transliterated into English characters:

"Yehohanan ha-Kohen ha-Godel we-Heber ha-Yehudim," . . . the translation of which is: "John the high priest and (head of) the community of Jews."

This inscription appears within a wreath of olive leaves.

The reverse side bears a double Cornucopia with a poppy-head in the center. This coin which I have seen and am describing is genuine, and undoubtedly was in circulation during the time of our Lord.

We are unable to describe the opposite side of the coin, the photograph of which accompanies this article. This one, examined and translated by Dr. W. F. Albright, is believed to have been

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in circulation at Jerusalem during the lifetime of our Lord. If it has the Cornucopia with a poppy-head in the center, then it is genuine.

Counterfeiting, far from being a modern art, is as old as coinage. But

counterfeiting in ancient times was inclined to be crude and easily detected. The crudeness usually is encountered in the portrayal of the Cornucopia.

You will note that we translate the word "heber" on the "mite" as "community" instead of "Senate." We believe this to be more accurate.

Why Does God Allow Sorrow?

Rev. E. J. Rollings, Detroit, Michigan

"I WILL cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing." Ezekiel 34:26.

Israel had been carried into captivity; her harps had been hung upon the willows; the music of the nation was a dirge; weeping and lamentation was universal. The people were under yoke; their country was laid waste; the walls of the Holy City was destroyed; the gates were consumed with fire; pestilence, pillage, and desolation had claimed the once beautiful land. Ambition and anticipation were crushed. Yet, in the midst of all this suffering, God speaks through the prophet, "I will cause the shower to come down in his season."

If we see God as He is, a God of love, we will better understand our sorrow and suffering. God is a Father Who loves to give good gifts to His children even more so than any earthly father. There is a radical difference between heathen and Christian conception of Deity. Heathen gods are supposed to delight in the suffering and torture of victims sacrificed in worship, but this is not true with our Heavenly Father.

Nothing has caused more doubt and speculation, than the presence of suffering in the world. It has shattered some of the strongest citadels of faith. The disaster and suffering caused by earthquakes in Spain made a doubter of Goethe. And so we have today, as always, the question: *Why does God allow suffering, pain, sorrow and trouble?*

First let us admit there are some things our finite minds will never grasp. Now we see through a glass darkly; someday we shall understand. There are many question marks that the waves of eternity alone can erase. Yet God has revealed much to us on this puzzling subject.

We must classify suffering. It falls

naturally into three classes: first, suffering which falls upon the *unrighteous*; second, suffering which falls upon the *righteous*; third, suffering which falls, like the rain, on the *just and the unjust*.

In this **FIRST** classification comes that suffering which is the natural consequence of sin. By the law of cause and effect, *trouble follows transgression*. In this class comes the suffering of David; the hardships of Jonah; the suffering of Samson, blind and in slavery, grinding at the Philistine mill; and Peter's sorrow after his denial of his Lord. He that soweth to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption.

Why did God allow sin? God created man without sin and in a sinless environment, but He made man a free moral agent, not an automaton, not a piece of mechanism. The difference between man and animal is that man has a will, the faculty of choice, therefore God holds him responsible. The first man chose wrong rather than right, but he has had plenty of followers. You undoubtedly would have done the same. God will not violate the sacred faculty of human choice, but He is trying to gain, not force, admission into human hearts. And when He gains admission, He imparts a divine nature and makes man victorious over sin.

Certainly this plan transcends the idea of creating man as a weak, forceless, spineless, will-less automaton to be run by the pushing of a button, without human consent or choice. God could not prevent sin entering the world without making man a "dummy." God's love is manifest in penal suffering. Consequently, the burned child dreads fire, and the pain of a knife cut, is a blessing in disguise. "Whom the Lord loveth He chasteneth." "All chastening seemeth for the present not to be joyous but grievous, yet afterwards it yieldeth the peaceable fruit

unto them that have been exercised thereby, even the fruit of righteousness."

In the **SECOND** classification, we find the suffering that comes from a positive, aggressive righteousness—the persecution that could be avoided by compromise. In Philippians 3:10, Paul says, "That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his suffering."

To know Him. There are many who would join the apostle in this petition. To know Him is life eternal; to know Him is peace and joy; to know Him is victory; and to know Him is contentment. The power of His resurrection. Again we will all join with Paul. Victory over death; power over the grave; reunion with loved ones. Power is always attractive — political power, social power, industrial power, financial power, physical power; we all want power.

The fellowship of His suffering. How many want that? "No, Paul, we will go the first two steps with you, but you will excuse us, please, from this last one." But they are inseparable. If we are to know Him, and the power of His resurrection, we must pay the price. We must enter the fellowship of His suffering. The same three disciples who went with Jesus up to the mount of transfiguration, also had to go with Him to Gethsemane.

Again Paul says, "All that will live Godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." Jesus said, "In the world ye shall have tribulation." If you are not being persecuted today for righteousness' sake, it is probably because your life is so colorless that the world doesn't know where you stand.

Someday those who experience sorrow and suffering here will exchange their cross for a crown. "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the

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In this THIRD classification comes suffering which is shared as a common experience by the entire human race. Let us remember again that God is a God of love. It is a wrong premise to think that all suffering is penal. The predominant purpose of the book of Job is to correct this erroneous idea. God upholds natural law; He does not do things contrary to nature very often. He can transcend the laws of nature and has done it; He walked on the water, He raised the dead, He turned water into wine.

In the orderly execution of natural laws, it is impossible to prevent conflict between these universal laws and personal interests. The rain that stimulates the growth of one field of grain may hasten the decay of another. Remember the law — the greatest good to the greatest number.

But God will overrule disaster and turn it to our good. Out of the cloud comes the shower. The shadow is proof that the Sun is shining. God can overrule evil for good, and make even what seems disaster, work for good to them that love Him. "All things work together for good to them that love God."

Suffering tests character, turns us to God, and develops Christian graces. Peter said, "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you." You cannot judge the strength of the ship in the calm . . . wait until the storm breaks.

Sorrow and suffering will always have one of two results. Either it will be a stepping stone to a higher life of consecration and a closer walk with God, or it will be a stumbling-block over which we fall to despair and doom.

The same Sun that melts the snow also hardens the clay. Jonah said, "I called, by reason of my affliction, unto the Lord." David said, "In my distress, I cried unto the Lord." Martha and Mary came to Jesus in their hour of trouble — Lazarus was dead. Prosperity tends to make us feel self-sufficient, hard of heart. Adversity drives us to God.

Sorrow and suffering develops sympathy, tenderness and sweetness. Some one has defined sympathy as two souls tugging at the same burden. We cannot truly sympathize unless we ourselves have experienced the same heart-ache. Christ Himself, the Word says, "was made perfect through suffering."

Sweetness and tenderness are the fruits of suffering and sorrow. Scarcely ever do you find an invalid who has been bedridden for years but what they have developed a beautiful character. It would seem that they are the special jewels for the Master's crown, being polished by suffering and sorrow. It is the dark night that brings out the stars. It is the frost that sweetens the grapes and the clouds that distill the rain. So it is affliction that mellows, and deepens, and sweetens, and beautifies and enriches nature.

Sorrow and suffering purify the soul. If the metal from the mine, as it is

dug with the pick and blasted with dynamite and broken in the crusher at the mill, had power to feel and speak, it would doubtless bitterly complain. And still more when subjected to the sevenfold heat and melted and remelted and melted again. And then stamped with the giant presses of the mint. But when the beautiful gold coin comes forth bearing the image of the sovereign, had it power to reason . . . it would understand all the processes.

So with the human heart, crushed by the disappointments of life, pained by the fires of affliction, when at last we shall come from the furnace purged from our dross, stamped with the image of OUR SOVEREIGN Who was indeed the Man of Sorrows, then we shall rejoice for we shall understand the *Why of suffering*.

"I shall be satisfied when I wake in his likeness." Psalm 17:15.

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A FACTUAL ANALYSIS

(ATTACK ON THE PROTESTANTS)

STANLEY HIGH, left-wing radical who writes magazine articles for so much per word, comes out with a blast against Protestantism.

Under a newspaper headline "*Urges Silence By Protestants*," he is quoted as saying: "To meet the engulfing menace will require all the unity that the moral forces of mankind can master. Organized Protestantism seems bent, not on helping that unity, but hindering it. If it continues on that road, it is a safe assumption that, at the end of it, Protestantism deservedly will have lost whatever right it has to speak for the conscience of the nation."

By way of contrast, let the Christian public compare this negative attitude with the challenging and constructive appeal made by Congressman Martin Dies who says America's supreme need is a "Good old-fashioned religious revival."

He continues: "There can be no democracy, and no freedom in this Country without the Christian religion. If democracy fails in our land it will be because the people turned their back on God."

(JEWISH REFUGEES)

NO one will ever find out the truth about the numbers of Jews who have been brought into the United States as refugees these past three years.

We are inclined to make this statement after having read of a plot unearthed at Buenos Aires, Argentina, this past month.

According to an Associated Press dispatch, the newspaper *El Mundo*'s correspondent in Salta reported that authorities in the northern provinces were re-enforcing vigilance along the Bolivian border because they discovered that an international ring had tried to smuggle 15,000 Jews into Argentina from Bolivia.

Of one thing we are certain, namely, that there were not that many German Christians, Dutch Christians, Belgian Christians, French Christians, English Christians, or Finnish Christians smuggled into any port of North or South America. The same Associat-

ed Press dispatch informs us that many Jewish refugees from Germany have gone to Bolivia. . . .

It is just a side note of interest to all Americans.

— Social Justice

(WHITE PAPERS)

MODERN nations in turmoil release frequent official statements under the imposing title of *White Papers*. To date the United States government has issued no such official documents, but two enterprising reporters with contacts in the State Department recently published a book called *American White Paper*, which professes to reveal the mental secrets of the President and those near him, on matters pertaining to foreign policy.

The public is given the following peep into the sanctum sanctorum of the State Department: "De-coded, mimeographed, stamped 'Secret and Confidential,' the cables circulate through the Department all day long. First they go to the south corridor of the second floor, to the unpretentious suites of Secretary of State Cordell Hull and his principal lieutenants, tall, glacial, able Under Secretary Sumner Welles and the fertile-minded infant-prodigy-grown-up, Assistant Secretary Adolph Augustus Berle, Jr. Then upstairs where the hard-working, quietly professional career men, Jay Pierrepont Moffat and James Clement Dunn, preside over the Western European division. And thereafter the lesser offices and the 'desks' of countries of origin, English or Spanish, Italian, or Scandinavian, where juniors in the service fit each rumor, each event into a minute mosaic of future probabilities. The cables are the stimuli, American policy is the response that these stimuli produce."

Shortly before his untimely death a few days ago in an airplane accident, United States Senator Ernest Lundeen, a stickler for neutrality, had this to say:

"The United States has as yet not issued any White Book, Green Book, or Blue Book. But Joseph Alsop and Robert Kintner have sponsored the so-called American White Papers. This book is the best summary to date of the Roosevelt administration. It re-

prints entries in the diary of Mr. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State, and its purpose is to reveal the secrets closest to the President's heart. Neither the President nor Mr. Berle has repudiated the authors.

"The book was a trial balloon to test public opinion. Every one of its predictions has come true. Every act of Mr. Roosevelt confirms the view of the authors that the President is determined to drag our country into Europe's war. Half a dozen men, in defiance of the majority of Congress and of the people, may send our sons to be slain in a war to defend, not the history inspired by George Washington, nor the sacred soil of our country, but His Majesty King George, late a guest in the White House. These six men are President Roosevelt, and Secretary Hull, Under Secretaries of State Welles and Berle, and Ambassadors Bullitt and Kennedy."

(CATHOLIC POPULATION)

THE *World Almanac* lists the number of Roman Catholics in the United States as 21,406,507.

While all of these do not agree with everything Rev. Charles E. Coughlin advocates, it is safe to say that ninety per cent respect and admire him as a man who has the courage of his convictions. They remember that he wears the cloth of their priesthood and this causes them to resent attacks from Communist, political and other sources upon his labors.

This is a stubborn fact that the Birkheads, the Winchells and the Dorothy Thompsons must face.

(KAGAWA)

PRESS dispatches from Tokyo tell of the arrest of Tokohiko Kagawa, the social worker who toured the United States some months ago under the auspices of political and theological Liberals.

Says the Associated Press: "Articles submitted to various American religious periodicals and speeches by Kagawa are being examined in a rigorous preliminary investigation, authorities disclosed tonight. . . . Sometimes called the 'Ghandi of Japan,' Kagawa gained world-wide renown for his social work in the slums of Kobe, western Japan's

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WORLD EVENTS



"Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness." Eph. 6:14.

chief seaport. Many of his books have been translated into English. In 1935-36 Kagawa made a six months' tour of the United States which evoked controversy in religious circles."

Kagawa is a leader in the so-called "Kingdom of God" movement — a crusade regarded by many as having a decidedly red tinge.

(Dr. W. B. Riley's new book, "The Conflict of Christianity With Its Counterfeits," published this month, has a chapter devoted to this subject. Other themes treated in the book include, "The Conflict Over the Theological Counterfeit," "The Attempted 'Inter-Church'," "The Baptist 'Committee of Nine'," "Kagawa — and the Consumer's Cooperatives," "The Stanley Jones' 'Kingdom of God' Counterfeit," "The Counterfeit Discoverable in the Oxford Movement" and "Fundamentalism — the True Coin of the Christian Realm." . . . 147 pages, price 50 cents, Defender Publishers.)

(WALTER WINCHELL)

THE Reader's indulgence is sought if his serenity is blasted with a literary sneeze; for the dust which filters through the keyhole is obnoxious.

This scandal-monger, plying his pediculous trade, has crawled all over the body of American readers so long that the time has come to stop squirming and apply to the affected parts a wholesome dose of rubbing alcohol. . . .

It would be unWinchell-like were he to take time out from his scandal poisoning to make an honest apology for the cruel hurt he inflicted upon the 17 young men — the Christian Fronters, so-called — whom he described as "alleged Benedict Arnolds."

You can hide anything behind the word "alleged," which is a journalistic coward's breastplate to avoid libel suits.

Meanwhile, an alleged apology should be forthcoming from the alleged reporter who has become notorious for spawning alleged infidelities and divorces.

— Charles E. Coughlin

(B'NAI B'RITH)

TO say the least, the following quotation from the Jewish B'nai B'rith magazine *The A. D. L. Review*, will be of special interest to Christians at this

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time when so many agencies of propaganda are working from behind unexpected fronts:

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"More than 500 speakers throughout the country who cooperate with the Speakers Bureau receive regular mailings of Anti-Defamation League educational material. Many have written to the A.D.L. praising this material, which has proved valuable in the preparation of sermons, addresses and radio broadcasts.

"Members of the Order are urged to utilize the Speakers Bureau whenever they have occasion to provide speakers for non-sectarian groups."

(KING CAROL)

A NATURALIZED American from the Balkans says: "I lived in Rumania until I was 19 years old. The country has always been ruled by powerful Jews of the type that put Lupescu, the junk dealer's daughter, in King Carol's path. She has always looked after the interests of the internationalists in high government circles. I came from the peasant class and the most we could ever hope to own in life was an ox, maybe a goat and a few chickens. The soil was owned by rich Jews, mostly in Paris, who ruled the Rumanian people by the power of gold, but all this has changed the last few days."

Viewing the matter objectively, every student of world affairs knows that the

present cruel militarism of Europe came into existence as a reaction against Jewish political and economic control. . . .

The secular press has followed the dramatic exile-flight of Europe's playboy king, who was forced to abdicate as climax to a series of internal disorders. The story has necessarily involved the mysterious Magda Lupescu, the fallen monarch's mistress, whom a large section of Rumanian subjects deeply resent.

Lupescu is a Jewess. Press dispatches refer to her as simply "that red-haired woman friend." Had she been Irish, Swedish or German, her nationality would have been dutifully reported. But news-gathering agencies, loyal to racial control, omitted this important factor.

Carol's unkingly antics have covered a period of twenty years. At one time he preferred exile rather than give up his lady friend. He deserted his beautiful, royal wife, Crown Princess Helena, and young son in 1925. Upon being restored to the throne in 1930, he promised to abandon Lupescu, but had not been in the Capitol long, before she was established in a villa near the palace. Her return was marked by violent demonstrations in the streets of Bucharest, and the plot to assassinate both Carol and his son Michael in 1934, was blamed to hostility toward the mistress.

As he fled from Rumania a few days ago, Lupescu on the same train, the mobs forgot him for the moment and tried to find her. To Rumanians she has become the symbol of their Country's downfall.

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A Good Way To Improve Your English

By Sherwin Cody

HOW can we best begin to master the English language and use it effectively and forcefully in our daily lives?

Of course, one could spend a lifetime in the study of English and its countless details. But on the other hand, one-half of all our speaking and writing consists of the use of repetition of only 69 words; and in a recent investigation made by the Russell Sage Foundation, it was announced that seven-eighths of the language we use daily consists of but 542 words. It will be seen, therefore, that mastery of a comparatively few, frequently-repeated words can carry us a long way on the road to perfect English.

I have conducted many experiments and I find that no more than 100 expressions cover the entire field of grammar as a practical working subject. There are only about 250 commonly-

MARIJUANA -- THE WEED OF WOE

YOUNG people of High School and College age need to be shielded from the evils, the dangers, of Marijuana (pronounced mara-wana) cigarettes.

You often read press reports of youngsters who have committed some heinous deed while under the influence of this unspeakable drug. What a tragedy that there are human beings in our Country, who are so devoid of conscience, as to engage in this traffic for the sake of financial gain.

In order to spread needed enlightenment on this and related subjects, Dr. E. J. Rollings has written an invaluable treatise entitled "The Silent Horror"—illustrated by photographs. The chapter titles of the book are as follows: "Opium, The King of Dope," "Crown Prince, Morphine," "Cocaine, The Princess of Perdition," "Marijuana, The Dutchess of Despair," "The Dope Peddler," and "The Addict."

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used words that are especially troublesome to spell.

All these points have been embodied in tests which anyone can give himself, so that he needs only the few points on which he is weak. It is a sheer waste of time to work over all the rules of grammar. By concentration on one's own weak points, the common errors of grammar can be mastered in a very short time for practical purposes.

But that is only the negative side of language. How is one to gain the positive power of effective expression?

The first element is imagination . . . The ability to know, in advance, what the person addressed will respond to. That comes from long observation of men and women, and learning to put oneself in the place of an audience. The second element is a positive feeling on the part of the speaker or writer of enthusiasm, of conviction, and the power to inject that strong feeling into his language. And the third element is a knowledge of the suggestive force of words, so that the precise word or the precise phrase will instinctively be chosen at the right time.

This third element comes under the head of "effective English," and is an instinctive and unconscious power. It cannot be learned by analytic study or reasoning. How can it be learned?

The answer is, by reading. General power of vocabulary comes from the habit of observing words while we are reading books in which there is masterly English. And we may also search for and read effective letters as we find them anywhere, or listen to effective speeches and try to imitate them. The method is essentially one of imitation of the kind a little child uses in learning to talk. Few persons realize how important simple, direct imitation is, in mastering the unconscious art of effective language.

Recently I have been observing my three-year-old granddaughter. She has acquired a vocabulary of several thousand words within the space of a year and a half. Even at her age she seems

determined to learn to use words, as she is to do everything else that grown-up people do. When she hears a new word she repeats it even if she doesn't understand it, and she keeps on repeating it. At first she is awkward, but before long she can use it as well as anyone.

If grown-up persons could acquire words as fast as a child does, there would be no complaint about a poor vocabulary. My grandchild had the advantage of a grandmother who is a wonderful talker. For those who were not so fortunate in their childhood, however, the real model of good English is to be found in books, which are accessible to everyone, and anyone who learns to like to read books is sure to become a master of good English.

'Romance of Rubbish

Dr. Herbert Lockyer, Philadelphia, Pa.

HERE are some interesting things I have gathered regarding the ability of men to turn rubbish into power and dollars. Wealth from waste! (Nehemiah 4:2)

Some municipal authorities have been very enterprising in making money from the waste collected from thousands of dustbins. Banana skins, for instance, have been found worth while saving for the sake of the phosphates, while old gramophone records, rags, and paper are carefully sorted out and used. The remaining refuse is thrown into an incinerator, the heat generated being used for driving dynamos to provide electric light. It is a curious thought that your lamp it being lit, perhaps at this moment, by the energy contained in the orange peel you threw away last week. The clinker remaining is utilized for many purposes, from making roads to brick-making.

I heard of an inventor who makes money from waste in a very ingenious way. He buys at a very cheap rate all the waste oil collected in big garages, purifies it by a process of his own, and sells the finished product to users of commercial vehicles. Up to the present, such waste oil, collected when the pump is cleaned, has never been considered of any value, and this novel idea is adding to the wealth of the world by saving waste.

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The time may come, indeed, when shortage of natural products will force us to conserve waste matter to a greater extent. We are, for instance, at the present time pouring thousands of tons of good phosphates into our drains. These phosphates are of value in fertilizing the land. Ultimately some of them return from the sea as fish manure and are recovered "accidentally" in other ways, but a definite shortage of natural phosphates would make prevention of this waste essential.

It was estimated that some twelve million tons of refuse are dispensed with annually in this country.

The use of teasels in a department of the woolen industry for producing the nap on cloth is fairly familiar. The seeds of the teasel, until recently discarded, are now put to practical use. They are sold by the sack to fanciers as food for cage birds.

It is a fascinating story to read how in these modern times the rubbish of certain manufacturers, such as coal gas, scrap iron, cotton waste, and old rags—the by-products of industry—are transformed into articles of usefulness. The men of importance today are those who can take the residue, the seemingly unwanted substances, the scrap and the rubbish, and make them into things

of beauty and of service to mankind.

Nature is continually teaching this truth. There are no waste products; even the falling autumn leaves can be used to enrich the soil so that our sowing and planting will be fruitful in succeeding months, and, as one writer says, "the vast surrounding atmosphere is made efficient over and over again for the breath of living men."

Many years ago Harold Begbie published that soul-stirring book "Broken Earthenware," and therein was graphically portrayed the stories of hopeless men—fragments, bits of human society, who, through the devotion of lowly souls, became new men, and that same story is retold by Hugh Redwood in "God in the Slums." Can we doubt the efficacy of the words, "Behold, I make all things new." Surely a quotation from Tennyson's "In Memoriam" is not inappropriate:

*That nothing walks with aimless feet;
That not one life shall be destroyed,
Or cast as rubbish to the void,
When God hath made the pile complete.*

If out of the refuse of our lives, science can extract the most valuable acids and the most exquisite dyes, surely such is an emblem of what God will do with the wreckage of humanity.

days people shall be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.

III. The Cost of Bridge.

It is impossible to make a proper estimate of the stupendous amounts spent annually in the promotion of this evil. This one teacher, of whom we referred, trained no less than 1600 men and women, charging \$60.00 apiece for a five days' course of lessons. According to Dr. Charles F. Weigle in his book, "A Deck of Cards," it is stated that American people spent \$10,000,000 in one year on lessons alone and in the same length of time \$100,000,000 was spent on the game itself. These figures were taken from one of the years when we were in the midst of a financial depression and when multiplied thousands of people were hungry for bread and lacking the other necessities of life. This strange, infatuation holding millions of intelligent men and women tirelessly shuffling and dropping the pasteboards on the table and for which they are willing to pay millions of dollars annually, must have

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Only A Deck of Cards

Rev. A. J. Bard, Emmanuel Tabernacle, Seattle, Wash.

IN this little message I propose to show that the Deck of Cards is not the harmless pastime that so many of our citizens seem to believe it to be.

In the first place, I wish to give the origin of the deck of cards. In the second place, the evolution of the cards. In the third place, the cost of this fascinating pastime, and in the fourth place, the evils associated with the symbols on the fifty-two pieces of pasteboard.

I. As far as we are able to determine the present-day deck of cards does not date back to ancient nor even medieval days but is only some five hundred years old. The game and the cards were first designed by King Charles VI of France, an insane man, about 1392.

II. In the beginning of the card era the deck was used almost exclusively by the lower strata of society. They were held in disrepute by thoughtful, decent, socially prominent people. In

the days of the Puritans, the deck of cards was considered the devil's picture book, the devil's bible and only the scum of the people of colonial days were ever seen to indulge in the game of cards. The evolution of this game is tremendous. Although we are not in a position to quote any definite statistics, I believe we are safe in estimating that almost 100,000,000 people in America engage in playing cards. It is by far the most fascinating and popular American pastime. A magazine article appearing sometime ago, states that a Mr. Culbertson, who is an authority on the game of bridge and who has published a book on this game, sold no less than 1500 copies of his book in a single day. The article also states that he had trained up to that time, 1600 teachers. Surely God's Word is again vindicated in saying that in the last

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some peculiar, sinister, mysterious and animating power.

IV. The Evils of the Pastime.

The evils associated with the deck of cards can hardly be over-estimated. There is something very ill-flavored and disreputable about the pack. They carry with them the taint of dishonesty, profanity, immorality, robbery and murder. Few people seem to know that these cards have a secret language all of their own, according to Dr. Weigle, who has spent much time learning the truth about cards, obtaining this truth from professional card players, gamblers, and others in like fraternities, and the information contained in this message is based upon his discoveries. For example, the *King card* represents the devil himself. The king of Hell. The enemy of God. The instigator of all evil. I wish that our friends each time they handle the king card would remember this startling fact. The *Ten Spot card* represents the spirit of lawlessness, in direct and flagrant opposition to the Ten Commandments of the Bible. This divine decalogue upon which all sound, civilized law and order is based, becomes an object of ridicule. Surely we should not tolerate in our American homes the ten spot card which so definitely engenders the spirit of gambling, lawlessness and other crimes. Our annual crime bill in the United States is over thirteen billion dollars and, no doubt, the deck of cards is to a large extent responsible for this deplorable condition. It is not at all strange that thieves, drunkards, gamblers, prostitutes and murderers are experts at this game. It is said that the notorious Dillinger spent all his time, while in hiding, playing cards. The *Club card* speaks of the murderer's weapon. You will remember the insane King Charles who invented the deck of cards lived in a day when the modern implements of crime were not in use. If this card were to take on a more modern symbol it should have the gun rather than the club stamped upon its surface.

There is murder, crime and death in a deck of cards. "My mother taught me to play cards," said a young man just before they hanged him for murder in Nevada, "and I hold her responsible for my crime and for my

death. Tell her I don't want to see her." And so this young man marched to the gallows without seeing his mother and with the noose around his neck, he said, "Give me two whiffs of a cigarette and then send me to Hell." His mother saw no harm in a game of cards.

The *Jack card* is the most disgusting of them all, for it represents the lustful libertine, the social pimp who lives off the gains of professional prostitution. He is the leper of society preying upon the weak. If those engaged in playing cards would only realize the meaning of the *Jack card* they would never touch the unclean pasteboard. We wonder whether our readers know that players use secret language suggested by these obscene cards, thus they can converse with each other with merely the dropping of the pasteboards. The strip poker is the most lewd and most disgusting of all, for the players strip themselves one garment after another until they are completely nude. Some years ago in one of our Middle Western states, I know of a group of young people, even from a respectable church who tried this nefarious pastime.

The *Queen card* is shockingly wicked

for it is a symbol of the Virgin Mary, the mother of our Lord and Saviour. In the language of the cards she is called the mother of harlots. To call the mother of Jesus, the mother of harlots is one of the most dreadful, blasphemous, slanders ever conceived by the human mind. It is a deliberate and most vicious attack upon the Word of God and upon the name of one whom God calls the blessed among women.

The *Joker card* is most blasphemous in its representation of Jesus Christ. Think of it. The deck contains a card called the joker which definitely, according to the language of these satanic tools, represents the Lord Jesus Christ. Joker means a fool and our Lord is held up to ridicule, being called by this card a fool. In other words, the language of these last three cards declares that Jesus, the joker, is the offspring of the jack, and the libertine, who is the queen, the mother of harlots. Is there anything more heinous and more blasphemous than this?

Christ has been ridiculed, the Bible blasphemed, and the mother of our Lord, assaulted. After reading this message, surely no one will ever say, "I see no harm in a deck of cards."

The Kaleidoscope Of Prophecy

ALTHOUGH the prophetic message for this hour has been curtailed, if not practically abolished, in England, Canada and other British possessions, yet the writings of great English Bible teachers are still in existence, and may be consulted. Some of these books, written many years ago, deciphered, future events (now taking place) with remarkable accuracy.

Back in 1927, Brigadier General F. D. Frost of the British army published a prophetic treatise entitled *The Apointed Time*, which has turned out to be a significant forecast of European changes.

Writing under the caption "The

United States of Europe," this British patriot said. . .

OUT of the chaos of the Great War was evolved the League of Nations at the instigation of President Wilson, U.S.A. The U. S. A. has since backed out of it. The League was originally guided by a council of ten nations, five greater powers and five representatives of lesser powers. This number has since been increased to 14 after Germany was admitted to it. It will ultimately be composed of ten nations in accordance with the Word of God, when the appointed time has arrived. Men cannot hustle God's plan,

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but we can see it taking shape in spite of man.

The latest proposals of M. Briand to form a United States of Europe will probably lead to the fulfilment of the prophecies in Daniel 2:41, 43 and 7:24. The present economic situation, with trade depression and unemployment all over Europe, must lead to some form of central control as is proposed in the scheme.

Those prophecies clearly show that in the latter days there will be ten Kingdoms in Latin Europe trying to unite, but disagreeing among themselves. Revelation 13 reveals a beast coming up out of the sea (of confusion) having seven heads and ten horns, and one of its heads was wounded unto death but the deadly wound was healed. The Roman Empire was wounded in the head (Italy) in A.D. 470 by the Barbarian Invasion and gradually the Roman Empire faded away into insignificance.

But the deadly wound was healed after the Great War when the Fascists captured the Government, and Mussolini seized the premiership and revived the ancient Roman spirit, "and all the world marvelled at the beast." The seven heads of the beast are the seven hills on which the city is built (Rev. 17: 9).

Mussolini is now in league with the Papacy which he has restored to temporal power which had been withdrawn 60 years ago. Revelation 13 reveals a second beast like a lamb, but which spake as a dragon, coming up out of the earth (ordered government). The lamb symbolizes Christ, and the dragon symbolizes Satan. The second power is obviously a religious power posing as Christian but energized by Satan. The same power is shown in Revelation 17 as the Scarlet Woman seducing the kings of the earth.

What is actually happening now? The Political Influence of the Papacy is

rapidly increasing in every part of the ancient Roman Empire, especially in England, where Roman Catholics are gaining more and more power in every Government department and the National Church is rapidly being seduced by wolves in sheep's clothing.

There is a strong movement on foot to bring in a Bill to annul the law of Protestant succession to the throne of England and allow a Roman Catholic to sit on the throne.

Some secret power seems to be undermining the governments of all countries and now all are looking for some Superman to deliver them from the chaos into which they have fallen through their unbelief.

Daniel 8: 25 says that the great Superman will cause craft to prosper in his hand through his policy and he shall magnify himself in his heart and by peace shall destroy many.

Daniel 7 says the coming Roman Prince will subdue three kings and the remainder of the ten kingdoms will give themselves to him.

The present situation is that the ruler of one Latin country (Briand) whose population is decreasing, has proposed the formation of a United States of Europe as the only solution of their troubles, while the ruler of another Latin country (Mussolini) whose population is rapidly increasing has announced his intention of subduing all the Mediterranean into an Italian Sea.

Daniel 7 says he will succeed, that he will change the times and the laws, which he has already done by cancelling the Constitution and introducing a new Calendar in place of the Christian Calendar. This is now the year 7 of the Roman Empire.

Italy is the one country where law and order reign supreme, where strikes do not occur and unemployment is not draining all her resources. Small wonder that her ruler inspires awe and reverence wherever he goes and that there are people even in England who

would be willing to accept his dictatorship if his iron will could improve their trade and fill their diminishing coffers. He has made more bellicose speeches than ever the Kaiser did, who was forced to apologize for each one, but no one has ever reproached Mussolini.

In many parts of Italy I have seen stencil portraits of Mussolini stamped on the walls and rocks, which appears to give the people confidence in his iron will.

The day is fast approaching when such a man may rule over a United States of Europe. . . .

We must not confuse Mussolini with the Antichrist or the "Man of Sin." We think that Mussolini may be "The Prince that shall come." When the Prince of the Roman Empire, the first beast or revived Roman Empire, is firmly established, another beast shall arise out of the earth that has two horns like a lamb and speaks as a dragon. This is a description of the Antichrist posing as the Lamb of God — Jesus Christ, in Jerusalem. He will probably be an apostate Jew and will perform miracles through Spiritism or the god of occult forces (Dan. 2: 38; 2 Thess. 2: 9).

It is possible that he may be alive at the present moment somewhere but he cannot reveal himself until that which hinders iniquity is taken out of the way (2 Thess. 2: 7). That which hinders is the Spirit of God in Christianity. When the true believers in Christ are removed at the time of the Rapture, then all restraint will be thrown off, belief in the Scriptures abandoned, and lawlessness fully developed.

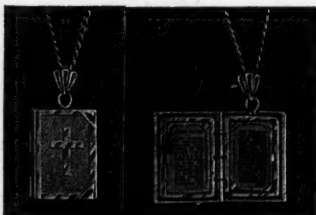
There is every prospect that we are now in the time of the revival of the Roman Empire represented in Revelation by the ten-horned beast and, in Nebuchadnezzar's vision, by the toes of the image, part of iron and part of clay.

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IN these prognostications, regarding the resurrection of the Old Roman Empire, General Frost was only re-

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peating, restating, what others preceded him had written. Fascism is the Satanic political breath which is being breathed into the nostrils of Daniel's fourth beast (chapter 7). Down through the Christian dispensation, students of prophecy have predicted that this monster of viciousness would be alive in the end-time of the age.

What is known as *The Epistle of Barnabas*, probably written early in the second century A. D., quotes from Daniel concerning the ten kingdoms to show that they would exist at the consummation of the present age. Irenaeus (A.D. 120-202), a disciple of Polycarp, who had been a companion of the apostle John, observes that "The ten toes are ten kings, among whom the kingdom will be divided." Tertullian, a contemporary of Irenaeus, remarks that "the disintegration and dispersion of the Roman State among the ten kings will produce Antichrist, and then shall be revealed that Wicked One, whom the Lord Jesus shall slay with the breath of His mouth and destroy by the brightness of His manifestation."

Hippolytus, who was a follower of Irenaeus, and flourished in the first half of the third century, makes similar reference to the ultimate division. Lactantius, of the latter half of the third and the early part of the fourth centuries, writes as follows: "The Empire will be sub-divided, and the powers of government, after being frittered away and shared among many, will be undermined. Civil discords will then ensue, nor will there be respite from destructive wars, until ten kings arise at once, who will divide the world among themselves to consume rather than to govern it."

Cyril (315-386), who became bishop of Jerusalem in 350, quoting from Daniel, and speaking of the Empire and its future division, implies that teaching on the subject was customary in the churches. Jerome (342-420) observes that "at the end of the world, when the kingdom of the Romans is to be destroyed, there will be ten kings to divide the Roman world among them-

selves."

Similarly writes Theodoret in the fifth century, and others of that time make more or less direct reference to the subject. While the views of these writers differ considerably on other points of detail, all are unanimous as to the eventual division of the Empire among ten contemporaneous potentates.

General Frost was not sure that the British Empire would break up, with the British Isles being forced into the revived Roman Empire. He said:

"Many Christians are convinced that England must be in the revived Roman Empire, to which the League is leading. I am equally convinced that the Roman Empire will revive, but I am not convinced which stage of that Empire will be revived and Britain was not always included. I believe it is still possible for England to repent and come out and be separate, but repentance must begin at the House of God."

In another section, devoted to "Scientists and Bible Prophecy," General Frost says. . .

SCIENTISTS who study the Earth's crust and record all seismic disturbances tell us that earthquakes felt simultaneously in many parts of the world recently particularly round the Mediterranean and in Great Britain are merely forerunners of a far greater earthquake which might be almost universal. These scientists as far as we know are not Biblical students, nor are they known to make rash statements.

In this case they agree with what was written in the Old Testament 2,500 years ago. These prophets, we are told, were not scientists, but they gave a description of what would happen to the world within the lives of many of us, but they go further than the modern scientists by telling us how the whole earth will benefit by the Earthquake. . .

A book called "Cosmos" a sketch of a physical description of the Universe by Alexander Von Humboldt, translated from the German for the Royal Society gives a great deal of interesting information about the earth's crust. By

studying earthquakes we can easily see how the world was flooded and continents rose up out of the upheaval of the earth's crust from below, which accounts for sea shells being found on the Himalayas four and five thousand feet above sea level. He can understand how the Atlantic became submerged and many other things are brought to light. Lord Kelvin told his students not to dabble in science if they wish to keep their faith, but to dive right deep down into it and there in the depths would be found confirmation of the Word of God.

Von Humboldt describes the earthquake which destroyed Lisbon on November 1st, 1755, the effects of which have been well traced out by the philosopher Kant, were felt in the Alps, on the coast of Sweden, in the West India Islands, on the great lakes of Canada, in Thuringia in the flat country of the Baltic. Remote fountains were interrupted in their flow, a phenomena of earthquakes which had been noticed among the ancients by Demetrius of Galatia. The remote springs of Toplitz dried up and again returned inundating everything with water coloured by ochre.

Since scientists warn us of the possibility of the subsidence of the earth's crust in unexpected places following the recent unexpected earthquakes in divers unusual places, let us see what the Bible tells us about it.

The Day of the Lord is prefaced by great convulsions in the heavens and on the earth. The Day of the Lord of Hosts shall be upon everyone that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up: and he shall be brought low; and upon the cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted up and upon all the high mountains and upon all the hills that are lifted up. And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

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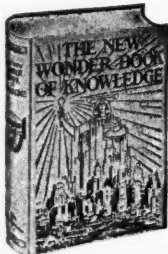
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for his camp is very great, for he is strong that executeth his word; for the Lord is great and terrible; and who can abide it? (Joel 2)

Behold the Day of the Lord cometh and His feet shall stand upon the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the East and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof towards the east and towards the west and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove towards the north and half of it towards the south. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal; yea ye shall flee like as ye fled before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah, King of Judaea, and the Lord my God shall come and all the saints with Thee. (Zechariah 14)

Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken; and all the tribes of the earth shall mourn, and they shall see the Son of Man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. (Matthew 24)

The extent of the convulsion is evident when the feet of Christ stand upon the Mount of Olives, the mount will cleave in the midst, a great valley will be made from the Mount of Olives to the Dead Sea in one direction, and right on to the S. W. to Azal or Askalon in the other direction. There will be a rush of water from the Mediterranean. The mountain will divert it to the Dead Sea and that tidal wave will, in its onrush and overflow, wash out the southern bed of the Jordan and then find its way by the Gulf of Akabah to the Red Sea. (Zech. 14:4) There will

be universal prosperity and nations will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation neither shall there be war any more.

In that day when Christ rules this earth from Jerusalem there will be an increased productiveness in the earth's produce, and every man shall possess his own land. Many countries are at present unproductive because of various pests which will be destroyed in Christ's Kingdom. There shall be rivers in the desert and the waste places of the earth shall be inhabited.

The earth shall be changed by the earthquake foretold by scientists and made fit for those who believe in Him to inherit the earth and convert the heathen.

To sum up, Higher Critics and professional theologians tell us that the Bible is not a scientific book. Man longs for the Millennium and thinks he can bring it in by legislation, but

statistics and science do not agree with the philosophers and theological professors.

Many say Christianity is impractical and has failed.

It has not failed, it has *never been tried*; Christianity is condemned today without a trial as Christ was condemned 2,000 years ago by His own people.

Before He came the first time He gave the Law to Moses, now contained in the book of Deuteronomy, which if kept would have prevented poverty and distress in His nation. The Law was rejected and Christ came to show them how to keep it. He was rejected, and now He is coming as Judge and King over all the Earth.

The judgment of the faithful who will be judged according to Christ's deeds, not their own, or the judgment of the unbelievers who will be judged according to their own deeds.

Which judgment seat are we to appear before?

The Pauline Gospel

Dr. C. F. Wimberly, Oliver Gospel Tabernacle, Columbia, S. C.

PRIMARILY, the Gospel means "good news."

It is God's proclamation to a world lost in sin — "without God and without hope in the world." This Gospel breaks in, and breaks through, sinful darkness, and floods the soul with the glorious light and liberty of salvation. Jesus said: "I am the light of the world." Now that he has gone back to the Father, this Gospel through the impartation of the Holy Ghost, is the light that conquers spiritual darkness and saves from superstition and heathenism.

We know of no word so elastic and slippery as the word *Gospel*; that is, when interpreted in the light of various religionists. And yet there is nothing which touches human life, especially if interpreted by the Word itself, that is more dogmatic, ironclad and watertight, as it were, than the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. This Gospel is intolerant and uncompromising.

These words may sound harsh, but the Gospel was so regarded by the

Apostle Paul, and we are discussing the Pauline Gospel. This Apostle says, (quoted freely) . . . If anyone, even an angel from heaven, preach any other Gospel than that which is given to preach, the curse of God will abide on them.

This Gospel admits no substitutes no alibis, no toning down. We wish to be understood, that our analysis is in full harmony with the great Apostle.

Four Vital Factors

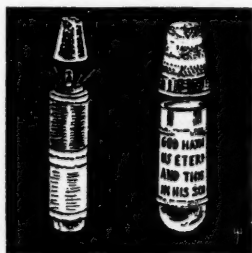
First, the Gospel presupposes the Eternal Sonship of Christ — His pre-existence: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily." Any deviation from this fundamental truth will come under the curse mentioned above.

Then, in the *Second* place, the Gospel implies a Blood Atonement — the substitutionary death of Christ on the Cross for the sins of the world. His

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was not a sacrifice of example, or leadership, or great teaching, but it was the shed Blood of reconciliation. So then, the modern milk-and-water Gospel of ethics and culture, does not even touch the outer rim of the Gospel that Paul preached — the Gospel we must also preach or forfeit our standing with the court of the Skies.

Another delusion and heresy which has attached itself to our Gospel, reducing and diluting the message, is popularly called the "Social Gospel." Let me say with all the emphasis I can command . . . *There is no such thing as a New Testament Social Gospel.* The term is a misnomer, in the Bible sense.

Anyone who has been sidetracked to this line of popular thought, is simply dodging the main fundamentals of the true Gospel. The Social Gospel, improperly so-called, is only a by-product of the message of salvation by faith in Christ.

When men are saved, born again, they become alive to all the responsi-

Prophecy, Prayer Conference

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and systematic effort. Also to increase efficiency by promoting fellowship among preachers, evangelists, and laymen from all parts of the Country. We propose to hold four or five meetings each day, for a full week, and seek the leadership of the Holy Spirit in crystallizing results along permanent organizational lines.

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It has been suggested that many Readers of this Magazine, and other publications devoted to the promotion of fundamental Christian truth, shall arrange in advance to attend this great Chicago rally. Ministers, Evangelists, Sunday School Workers, and Laymen from all vocations, should resolve to share in this effort — a crusade which will undoubtedly have a vitalizing effect upon the spiritual life of the Nation as a whole.

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bilities and obligations of a suffering world. Their minds and hearts become sensitized to human needs. Economic justice, unemployment, underprivileged people, and all the other things that call for a social conscience, will stand out in bold relief. If such is not the case with a person who professes "conversion," there are sure grounds for questioning the genuineness of his experience. But social activities, any of them, have no place as a substitute for the plan of salvation. The Sermon on the Mount is a discussion of the by-products and ethics of the true Gospel. These virtues follow in natural order when the truth is faithfully preached.

A Third fundamental in the Pauline Gospel is repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The mired wheels of our modern Christianity, or rather "Churchanity," results from the fact that multitudes have been herded into the Church, who know nothing of repentance, and have never dealt with the sin question.

When we give up all sin, it becomes easy to trust in the merits of Christ's Atonement. Then the soul sweeps into a conscious witness that the work has been done. In Romans 8: 16 we read: "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." But there is no salvation below the sin line. Experiential religion, by means of which Christ becomes real, is something the world can neither give nor take away.

Then, furthermore, if we are to enjoy a finished work of Christ, it will require the infilling of the Holy Spirit to be delivered from natural sin — called "Original Sin" by theologians. Paul calls it, "the Old Man." This state of human depravity resulted from the Fall in Adam, and through the law of heredity becomes the heritage of every person born into this life. Here we have basic Christian truth expressed by the poet:

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The curse will be removed from the ground and the animal kingdom; peace will be fully restored, swords will be beaten into pruninghooks, and the kingdoms of this world will become His Kingdom. There will be a shout: "Alleluia, alleluia, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth."

Propaganda

In times of war, neutral countries become special targets for propaganda by belligerent powers. This is the case with the United States at the present time. The desk of every editor is being cluttered with the free literary output of both England and Germany. English mailings come from British Library of Information, 50 Rockefeller Plaza, New York . . . while German material is issued by the German Library of Information, 17 Battery Place, New York. The English output is more frequent, better printed and more voluminous than the Germans'.

AN EDITORIAL ON BINAI B'RITH ACTIVITIES

From the Amarillo, Texas "Daily News"
August 31, 1940.

Dependable sources report that Zionist international headquarters are in process of moving from London to Washington. They should be fully established in the latter city by the middle of September.

The Anti-Defamation League, with its setup perfected in practically every city of the United States, will work in closest harmony with the transplanted group. It is understood that the League's cash fund of more than 30 million dollars at the first of January last, is substantially larger at the present time. There has probably never been a finer piece of private organizational work done in the history of this country.

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DEFENDERS MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Go With The Gospel

NO MISSIONARY on a foreign field is more faithful in preparing reports describing the fruit of his labors, than Rev. J. F. Rodriguez, Superintendent of the Defenders work in Puerto Rico. By weekly correspondence, he keeps in constant touch with the Wichita headquarters. It is a pleasure to pass along to Defender Readers an abridgment of several recent communications from the Spanish mission field. Dr. Rodriguez writes . . .

Radio Ministry: You will be glad to know that the Defenders Radio Program continues to be a regular weekly feature. Letters come in telling of salvation, comfort and inspiration as a result of listening to Defenders Spiritual Hour. Job 38:35 may refer to the invention of radio, but anyway, the Testimony continues to go out like "lightnings," as Job said.

Clothing: The shipment of clothing came. We have distributed everything. There are opportunities for placing in worthy hands, as many garments as may be received. All pieces of clothing become "sermons" as we place them with poor, but deserving Puerto Rican natives. We enjoy this part of the work because it symbolizes, in a tangible way, our mission of presenting a Christ of love.

Chapel-Car Campaign: Tomorrow, we shall visit Maunabo, a village between Yabucoa and Patillas, for the purpose of baptizing a group of believers. We plan to stay until Sunday morning. Defenders recently established a preaching-point there and this will be our first trip to that place. The Chapel-car, otherwise called the "Church on Wheels," continues a novelty, with great crowds packed on all sides every time it pauses for a public service on a highway or in a village. We are renting a Public Speaking System so as to use musical records in Spanish, and also be able to throw our voices far in preaching the Word.

Tabernacle Work: This feature of the Testimony is constantly blessed of God. I am glad to report decisions

for Christ in all our Tabernacle branches. Also, it is refreshing to say that the most fraternal fellowship is visible among the workers in the various towns. We are really banded together for the purpose of taking Jesus to the masses.

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eburation. We go slowly in graduating a student. We do not grant diplomas until we are sure that the person can honor this distinction. We now have a large number of native workers, trained and busy—and by this means Puerto Ricans are winning their own people for the Lord. When the time comes to develop a strong Testimony in the Virgin Islands, the Dominican Republic and other points in the West Indies, we shall have harvesters for the task.

Tuesday Prayer Meeting: Tonight will be held the Universal Prayer Meeting. Through intercession, we shall

reach Defender workers everywhere. The needs of each branch of the work will be mentioned before the Throne of Grace. You, your oral and written ministry, the Wichita office staff and the leaders everywhere will be taken to God in prayer. . . .

(Note: Dr. Rodriguez is a true missionary statesman—capable, sincere, forceful. Let Defender Readers pray especially for him and his co-workers, at this time. . . . Among the last words of our Lord, spoken on this earth, was the phrase "GO YE." Dr. Rodriguez keeps going, month after month, with the Gospel. You too, may go, through prayers, tithes and offerings.)

Cuba's Crying Need

REV. and Mrs. Arthur W. Pain, who are well known to readers of The Defender for their missionary labors on the island of Cuba, were speakers at the great Tri-State Defenders Prophetic Conference, held the latter part of August at Camp Christian, near Dixon, Illinois.

The audiences were thrilled by the many fine reports which they brought from the field. Especially was this true regarding the radio ministry. For eight years, these people have conducted daily Gospel broadcasts from the city of Havana.

Beginning in October, Rev. and Mrs. Pain will have the privilege of preaching over one of the most powerful broadcasting facilities in the world. The Havana station which now operates on thirty thousand watts, will soon be stepped up to eighty-five thousand watts. In addition, seven radio transmitters over the Island of Cuba have been merged into one network, and the Gospel will go out through this special channel. Thus, these faithful missionaries will not only be heard in Spanish-speaking countries, but many other parts of the world.

The heart-hunger which exists for the Gospel in Cuba, is illustrated by the following incident as related by Mr. Pain. . . .

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He told of a recent request received from an isolated community to come for a public meeting. He described it as a "Macedonian Call" because the Gospel had never been preached there.

The missionaries knew it to be a small village and did not expect a large crowd. But when they arrived at the old warehouse, where the service was to be conducted, they saw horses, carts and wagons on the outside, and several hundred natives inside. Many had walked miles to hear the message. As the invitation was given at the close of the sermon, the audience seemed to respond in a body. It appeared as though everyone wanted to accept Christ. Mr. Pain says there are many such places scattered over the Island where the message of redeeming love has never been taken.

On a Sunday just before leaving for the United States, for their present tour, they visited a rural place and found 315 natives present. At the invitation call, at least 150 indicated they wanted to accept Christ the Lord as Savior. Service had been announced for three o'clock in the afternoon, but many had assembled by eleven in the morning. Some came many miles on horseback, in ox carts, wagons and on foot.

(Free-will offerings sent to the Wichita Office, designated for Cuba, will be forwarded to the field.)

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Gems From Liberia

DEFENDER Readers who have a heart-interest in the missionary work being done in Liberia, West Africa, will find real enjoyment by reading the following nuggets culled from reports sent to Wichita Headquarters by Superintendent Paul N. Revere . . .

I must thank the friends who made it possible for you to send us the type-writer. It is a valuable article . . .

Last Sunday afternoon we had a burial service for one of our best loved members, Togba Davies, who was summoned to reward by death. His going is a loss to us but the congregation is comforted by the Scripture which says, "Absent from the body, present with the Lord." . . .

I am glad to send with this letter a picture I made of our Choir. I wish all of our friends in the U. S. A. could hear them sing the hymns in the Kru dialect. The African native loves music and delights in singing the Gospel tunes we teach them. . . .

An impressive and beautiful memorial service was held a few days ago, in memory of our dear Mary A. Sharp, who so long time ago, came out here to proclaim the Word where there was only darkness. Her work among the Kru of Liberia covered forty long years. Our native church carries on where she ceased from her toil. . . .

The floor and pulpit of the new church building have been completed. . .

With reference to the conflict which exists between two powerful tribes of

the Kru race, I have endeavored to reconcile them, as I mentioned in my last letter, so that bloodshed will come to an end. Pastors Jerreh, Jerwli and Wolo helped me create peace between them. Other efforts failed but our prayers were successful. . . .

From R. W. Dopae, the music director of the Krutown church, comes the following word of greeting: "You may be surprised to get a letter from me, an unknown African friend. God has wrought marvels and we are convinced that there is a man in the person of Paul N. Revere who has obeyed the command of the Almighty to give us the light. . . . We are building God's house. We have a good choir and we need a small organ and song books. We wait upon God patiently to supply our needs." . . .

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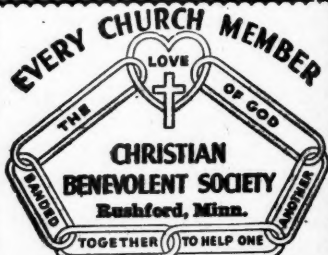
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"A CHURCH PROMISSORY 'MANIFESTO TO THE JEWS'." By Robert E. Edmondson. Published by the Author. Pages 16. Price 10 cents.

THIS booklet contains an analysis of a recent circular entitled "Manifesto to the Jews," put out by Rev. K. L. Brooks and allegedly signed by "over 60 Fundamentalist Ministers."

The original Brooks' statement purports to be a compilation of "statistics" dealing with various phases of the Jewish question. Mr. Edmondson contends that the material is "erroneous in many instances, and therefore boomerang in effect." He discusses the claims made, calls attention to glaring inaccuracies, and admonishes well-meaning Ministers of the Gospel to exercise caution about allowing their names to be affixed to statements that smack of propaganda.

The Edmondson system of analysis is aptly illustrated by two quotations:

Page 4. "LENIN WAS NOT A JEW" unequivocally declares Rev. Brooks, without giving authority. In his *Jews in Russia*, Russian veteran correspondent Victor Marsden of the London Post, says 'Lenin was married to a Jewess, his children spoke Yiddish, and he was a Calmyc Jew.'

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Page 5. "COMMUNISM, according to Rev. Brooks, is run in America by Gentiles like Earl Browder. But the Communist official organ in America, the Daily Worker, was incorporated by the Jews Irving Franklin, Alex. Trachtenberg, Isaac Schorr and Fay Siegartel, with most of its writers Jews, including Mike Gold, Teddy Dubinsky, Jos. Seifert, Kyle Crichton and Yoshke Friedman are Jewish editors for the Communist weekly *New Masses*. Until his recent death, the Jew, M. J. Olgin, foreign-born, was editor of the Yiddish Freiheit, largest Communist daily newspaper in the U. S. The Jew Israel Amter was Communist 1934 candidate for governor of New York State. . . .

"The propaganda of Communism throughout the world, in organization and direction, is in the hands of Jewish

agents,' writes Catholic Author Hilaire Belloc in *The Jews*. Rabbi Brickner wrote in the Herzl-Weisgal Symposium: 'In Palestine one often finds numerous Jewish colonies on a Communistic basis.'

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REVOLUTION AND THE REAL "FIFTH COLUMN." By Col. E. N. Sanctuary. Published by the Author. Pages 20. Price 10 cents.

FROM the Philippic pen of this well known Christian patriot, there comes another blast at the real enemies of our Country.

The use of the word "real" in the title of this booklet, indicates what every observer of current trends knows — namely, that the hidden enemies of true Christian Americanism have adopted the policy of smearing their opponents with the charge "Fifth Columnism." Col. Sanctuary shows how the same gang that, in the past, dubbed Christian leaders "red baiters" have now adopted the despicable plan of misappropriating the term "Fifth Columnist."

(It is interesting, for instance, to see the Jewish Walter Winchell accusing others of "Fifth Column" activities when, through his writings and broadcasts, he endorses and disseminates the books of the Jewish John Spivak, staff writer for leading Communist publications in the United States and abroad.)

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SINNERS IN THE HANDS OF AN ANGRY GOD. By Jonathan Edwards. Published by Baptist Tabernacle. Pages 16. Price 10c.

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SONG OF SOLOMON. By Rev. Jacob Jordan. Published by the Author. Pages 56. Price 20 cents.

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POLITICAL POTTAGE. By Rev. James Pearson. Published by World Publishing Company. Pages 78. Price 50 cents.

PURE Americanism is the keynote of this book. Its commendable purpose is to promote better citizenship, create a clearer understanding of the functions of government, and quicken responsibility on the part of individual citizens. Never before in the history of our Country, has this kind of literature been more needed.

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BLOOD, BREAD AND FIRE. By Rev. Vance Havner. Published by Zondervan Publishing House. Pages 119. Price \$1.00.

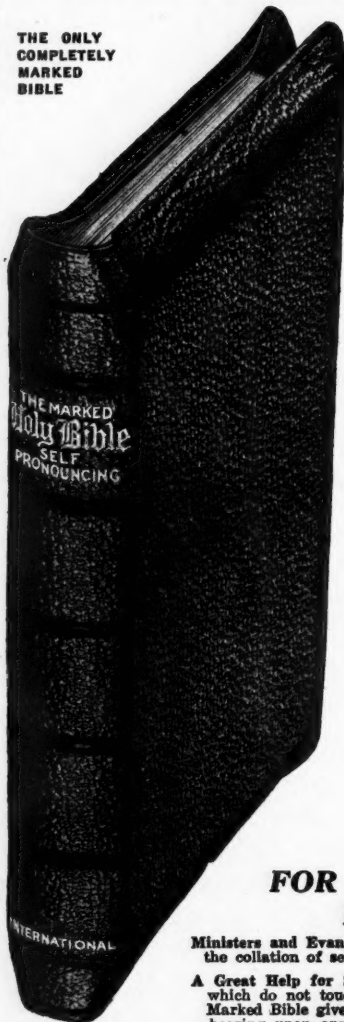
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OUR PRESIDENTS AND THEIR HYMNS . . . **THE OPEN DOOR** (Two books). By John B. Merrill. Published by the Author. Pages 38. Price for both 35 cents.

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DO THE HOLY SCRIPTURES HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY ABOUT MUSSOLINI AND HIS MODERN ROMAN EMPIRE? By Rev. Garnet K. Worthington. Published by the Author. Pages 40. Price 25 cents.

IN a fresh and absorbing manner, the Author covers a phase of Bible prophecy that students of the Word are everywhere discussing. The value of the message is illustrated by the fact that a major part of it was written one year prior to the outbreak of hostilities in Europe. Only a brief review was necessary to bring it up to date.

Seeking to answer the question propounded in the title, the Writer turns his attention primarily to the books of Daniel and Revelation. He shows with unmistakable clearness that these prophecies contain a literal message for this day and generation. This reviewer found Chapter Four, entitled "Who Is the Scarlet Woman of Revelation 17?" to be especially interesting.

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DRAGONS IN THE WIND. By Ethel Hubler. Published by The National Voice. Pages 48. Price 25 cents.

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BLOSSOMS BY THE WAYSIDE. By Mrs. Edna Best Crawford. Published by the Star Publishing Company. Pages 200. Price \$1.00.

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September 8

Inviting Others To Worship God

Psalm 96

GOLDEN TEXT: "O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together" (Psalm 34:3).

"O sing unto the Lord a new song" (verse 1). It is generally agreed among Bible students that this Psalm is prophetic in character and looks forward to the Second Coming of Christ and the Millennial Reign. One expositor says, "Wherever a new song is mentioned, it is to be understood of future time."

Another writes, "This is a millennial anthem. It accords with the conditions of the world when Christ shall sit enthroned in the willing loyalty of our race. The nations join in an acclaim of praise to Him as the rightful Judge and King."

In his vision, John saw a great host of saints about the throne of God, and he said, "And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth." (Rev. 5:9,10)

"Show forth his salvation from day to day" (verse 2). There is a threefold summons to sing unto the Lord and a similar threefold summons to speak for the Lord. Such Psalms as this never contemplate a religion which can be hid away and held in secret. The passionate love which breathes in this Psalm must have vent or die. There is here no coming to the Lord by night or being a secret disciple for fear of the Jews, but the Psalm is an open, full, joyous confession of the soul's delight in the Lord." — Rev. S. Conway.

The Beauty of Holiness. Psalm 29: 2 says, "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." How often in the Old

Testament is the moral attribute of God's holiness declared and exhibited. He is as infinite in His holiness as in His power. Holiness is as beautiful, as sin is ugly and repellent.

As the whole creation, both animate and inanimate, has groaned beneath the weight of the sin curse, so shall the whole creation partake of the great deliverance. Paul states this same truth in Romans 8:21-22. The time has not yet come when God will fulfill this concluding promise to judge the world with righteousness and truth.

Jesus Christ is the Judge of all men and the Judge of all the earth. At the end of the present age, He will judge the nations (Matt. 25:3-46). When the Millennium is ushered in, He will reign with perfect righteousness over the whole earth (Isa. 11:3-5).

At the close of the Millennial Reign will occur the Great Judgment of all the wicked dead, who will be brought before His throne for the determination of their final destiny (Rev. 20:11-15). Not until the appearance of the great and righteous Judge Himself, will the predictions and hopes of this Psalm be fully realized on our earth.

September 15

The Ever-Present God

Psalm 139:1-12, 23, 24

GOLDEN TEXT: "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him" — John 14:23.

The Omniscience of God (verses 1-6). This is one of the supernatural attributes of Deity which denotes that He has perfect and eternal knowledge of all things. There is no escape from God.

Man's knowledge is imperfect. Oftentimes, we are even unable to analyze our own thoughts and motives. But God not only foreknows motives which will occasion men's acts, but He foreknows the acts themselves. His wisdom is able to penetrate the secret corners

of the heart. He knows more about us than we know ourselves. (Psalm 11:4).

God's nature is not subject to the laws of time. To Him, past, present and future are one eternal now. He sees past and future as vividly as He sees the present. To illustrate: From the sidewalk, one can see but a little of the parade; but from a vantage point, a person can observe the finish as well as the beginning.

"Thou art acquainted with all my ways" (verse 3). The knowledge that the Lord can and will go with us in all our ways, should fill us with joy and at the same time subdue us with awe. In addition, the Psalmist says that all the words of his tongue are known to God, (verse 4). Our Lord Jesus attached great importance to our use of words. (Matt. 12:33-37). This is due to the fact that a man can seal his doom with such simple words as "I will" or "I will not" — with reference to the Gospel of Christ.

The Omnipresence of God (verses 7-12). The Psalmist passes from the thought of God's omniscience to that of His omnipresence. God's presence is revealed in all parts of the universe. His Spirit is everywhere. "In him we live, and move, and have our being" (Acts 17:28).

A heathen philosopher once asked, "Where is God?" The Christian replied, "Let me first ask you, where is He not?"

Human nature is limited in presence as well as power. It is impossible for us to be in two places at the same time, but God, the Unconditioned One, is not confined to either time or space. He is present in all His power at every point of space and every moment of time. (Jer. 23:23-24; Acts 17:27-28).

"If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me" . . . can it conceal from the eye of God? It will hide from the eye of man, but to God the night is as light as the day — "for darkness and the light are both alike to thee." Some try to keep the light from penetrating into the dark places of their lives. They may, for a time, succeed with men,

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The Voice of Wisdom

Proverbs 4:10-27

GOLDEN TEXT: "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life" — Prov. 4:23.

It is said that while other portions of Scripture tell us *what* to do, Proverbs tells us *how* to do it. It gives both the *what* and the *how*. Proverbs has been called the *Book of Wisdom*.

In the hands of parents, this Book renders valuable service for directing the course and conduct of those under their care. The boy forming companionships hears God saying to him, "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not." (Prov. 1:10). What safeguarding of the life to have this admonition implanted deeply in the young soul!

The right kind of instruction is not given in many homes. The child may have the most approved social training, but lack basic moral and religious training which tends toward right thinking and right living. In some homes the interest is wholly commercial, educating the boy for business — only to produce wealth.

"I have taught thee in the way of wisdom" (verse 11). One may know much and not be wise. The wise man, because he is wise, will make right application of all he possesses. Wisdom, then, is knowledge rightly used. "I have led thee in right paths" (verse 11). Too many parents send their children, rather than bring them to Sunday School.

A Father's Warning (verses 14-19). Solomon warns of the effect of evil companionship, "Enter not into the paths of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men." This reminds us of the first Psalm, "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly..." Contamination comes by wrong association. To follow "the paths of the wicked" is to walk with them, and that path never leads to life

— "for the wages of sin is death."

Notice the four appeals in verse 15, with reference to the "paths of the wicked:" (1) *Avoid it*. By avoiding it we escape temptation that comes by giving it attention. (2) *Pass not by it*. In following this policy, you take the opposite direction. (3) *Turn from it*. In turning from it, you check yourself when aware of its presence, and silence its appeals. (4) *Pass away*. In passing away, the opposite course is followed.

The Two Paths. The path of the just is as a shining light. The way of the wicked is as darkness. In the light of the one we walk safely; in the darkness of the other, the wicked "know not at what they stumble."

September 29

The Use and Abuse of Wealth

Proverbs 11:24-31; Luke 16:11-13.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven"—Matt. 6:20.

Problems which involve the acquiring of money are interwoven with every normal life. What we do with money has a tremendous influence upon our character. Money has in it power to either sanctify or to pollute human life. More character is marred by money than is made by it.

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"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth" (verse 24). Paradoxical as this statement may sound, yet it is literally true. The truth is illustrated by the scattering of grain, which is thus increased "some an hundred fold." The person who gives liberally becomes the richer for his giving. An old maxim says, "Charity gives itself rich; covet-

ousness keeps itself poor." God loves a truly generous heart. (Deut. 15:10; Ps. 112:9; Acts 11:29, 30; Acts 10:1-2).

"And there is that withholdeth more than is meet" (verse 24). The Revised Version suggests that this means to withhold what is justly due, either as a debt or as a proper act of generosity. "But it tendeth to poverty." That which is unjustly withheld is no real benefit to the one who has it, it only increases his wants. Those who hoard money often lose it. How many have robbed God of His tithe in order to swell the bank account — only to lose it, when the bank failed! The tragedy of selfishness in the use of money is that it impoverishes the soul. (Mal. 3:17-15; Hag. 1:6, 9:11). It is impossible to be godly and at the same time selfish. Experience proves that generosity is the way to spiritual prosperity.

"No servant can serve two masters" (verse 13). "Two" signifies opposing masters. They are two, not only in number, but in interests. "For either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other" (verse 13). Either in heart or in action, or in both, one will be sole master.

"Ye cannot serve God and mammon." (verse 13). Mammon here is personified as the rival of the true God, the anti-God of this world. It is significant in this connection, that money is so often given Scriptural names, such as: the Crown, the Sovereign and the Almighty Dollar. Mammon does not represent Deity but it does represent anything that may be placed higher than Deity in our minds.

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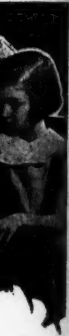
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